

Yemeni hijacker gives up

LUCKY ESCAPE IN OXFORD STREET Three hurt in U.K. blast as terror continues

KUWAIT. — A North Yemen man wielding a pistol and hand-grenades surrendered to Kuwait authorities last night, after hijacking a Yemen Airways DC8, flying from North Yemen to Ethiopia.

Kuwait authorities accepted five demands from the man, including guaranteeing his safety in Kuwait, before he agreed to turn over his arms and leave the plane, which carried 17 persons.

The man, identified as Nasser Ahmed Abu Bakr, 34, left the plane carrying his weapons and turned them over to officials, before formally surrendering to the Kuwait Foreign Minister, Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad.

The plane landed at this Persian Gulf state after a 2,000 km. flight across Saudi Arabia from Djibouti, in the French Territory of the Afars and Issas in East Africa, where the four-engined propeller-driven aircraft stopped briefly for refuelling.

Kuwait authorities permitted the plane to land after Abu Bakr

OKAMOTO PROPHECY

Jerusalem Post Staff

Kozo Okamoto, serving a life prison term for his part in the Lod Airport massacre, told Japanese reporters last month that "some big important event would occur on or after August 25," if people kept ignoring what he said.

Yesterday's hijacking might have proved Okamoto a prophet, but it had nothing to do with him. During last month's interview, he told the reporters he disapproved of plans to hijack a plane in an effort to free him.

threatened to crash-land it in the desert if refused permission to land.

After Abu Bakr's surrender, the airport resumed normal operations. The hijacker gave up after 70 minutes of negotiations with authorities, who talked with him by radio from the control tower. He secured four other conditions from the officials:

Kuwait would provide financial assistance for four unidentified Yemeni families, whose men were killed in border clashes between North and South Yemen earlier this year; Kuwait would work toward resolving differences between the two Yemens; Authorities would issue travel tickets for the 10 other passengers and six crew members; Kuwait authorities would permit Alm Bakr to give a press conference.

KISSINGER—THE BIG QUESTION

By DANIEL GOTTLIEB

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The appointment of Henry Kissinger as Secretary of State raises some fascinating possibilities for the future of American policy in the Middle East.

Dr. Kissinger, if it was necessary, laid to rest the question of how his Jewish heritage might affect policy, by simply stating that "I will conduct the foreign policy of the United States, regardless of religious and national heritage."

Those who fear that he might feel constrained to lean slightly toward the Arab nations in order to prove this point have scant appreciation of his rational approach to foreign affairs. The Administration's current strong backing for Israel, which derives mainly from when he advised on policy in the White House, is definitely not the product of sentimental attachments.

For Dr. Kissinger, the Middle

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Rabin on U.S. policy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yitzhak Rabin said yesterday Israel need not fear particularly heavy American political pressure if "Israel clings firmly to the understanding reached between the two countries in 1971."

The former ambassador to Washington, interviewed by Israel Radio, did not elaborate. But he was believed to have been referring to an understanding whose main points were that peace would be attained in stages; Israel and the U.S. would work together for the reopening of the Suez Canal; the balance of power would be maintained; and the cease-fire would continue.

Mr. Rabin said he expected "some kind of attempt" at a new American initiative in the Middle East.

The former envoy, who worked closely with Dr. Kissinger during his term of duty in Washington, said foreign policy had been run from the White House until now, with the assistance of Dr. Kissinger. The latter's appointment as Secretary of State meant this policy would be prosecuted with even greater firmness.

He believed Dr. Kissinger would concentrate on the issues that had been his main concern until now: closer cooperation between the two superpowers and the problem of



Police outside the Bank of England after a bomb had exploded in a basement there yesterday, injuring three men who were trying to surround it with sandbags. (AP radiophoto)

LONDON (UPI). — A bomb blast in the Bank of England mail room yesterday injured three persons, one of whom lost a hand. A few hours later an explosive device failed to explode when its detonator went off in an Oxford Street boutique.

Shortly afterwards Lord's cricket ground in London was cleared because of a bomb warning.

It was the seventh day of a bombing campaign in London which Scotland Yard said was the work of the Irish Republican Army (IRA). On Friday, a 28-year-old secretary at the Stock Exchange in London, Miss Johanna Knight, suffered multiple cuts on her face, hands and legs when she opened a letter bomb. Her condition was said yesterday to be satisfactory.

At Lord's a major bomb blast stopped the third cricket test match between England and the West Indies. The crowd of 28,000 was asked to leave the ground by main exits, leaving cars behind.

Several hundred spectators joined the players on the field but a police commander said play could not be resumed until the ground

had been searched and the crowd began to file out.

Dozens of persons had a lucky escape when a bomb planted in an Oxford Street fashion boutique failed to explode although the detonator went off.

The bomb, hidden in a white plastic carrier bag, did not ignite. A police spokesman said: "If this had exploded it could have possibly killed or injured dozens of people."

The incident on Oxford Street — on the world's busiest shopping thoroughfare — caused chaos for Saturday shoppers and motorists as dozens of shops and restaurants in a 200 metre radius were evacuated.

Police said the bomb blast in the Bank of England came as the three injured men were trying to surround it with sandbags. The bomb was contained in a parcel.

The man who lost a hand was identified as Derek Woodward, 44, a member of the bank staff.

Prime Minister Edward Heath yesterday ordered an alert in all government departments and in nationalised industries.

RENEW INSTRUCTIONS He gave instructions that all government departments should again be reminded of the need to take all possible precautions and of guidance already given on recognition and handling of letter bombs and other suspicious packages.

A caller with an Irish accent had telephoned the local news agency, the Press Association, warning that a bomb was due to go off in the Oxford Street boutique in 15 minutes. The message was immediately passed to Scotland Yard.

Heavy security precautions on flights leaving Heathrow Airport for Belfast were in operation yesterday.

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(UPI, Reuters, AP)

'Sadat ends secret visit to Saudia'

BEIRUT (UPI). — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat returned to Cairo yesterday after a secret visit to Saudi Arabia, Arab information media reported.

The reports were carried by the Iraqi News Agency and the Libyan Radio.

They said Sadat arrived in Saudi Arabia on Friday and held important talks with King Faisal. The reports were not confirmed officially by the Egyptian Government.

Later yesterday, Libyan radio said Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi arrived in Cairo unexpectedly yesterday for talks with Egyptian leaders on the proposed union of the two countries. The union is scheduled for September 1.

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Stockholm bank siege in third day

STOCKHOLM (AP). — A massive police siege of a young gunman in a downtown bank here went into its third day yesterday, and Prime Minister Olof Palme appealed to the Swedish public to show patience and have confidence in the police.

The Social Democratic Government has come under criticism for taking a soft attitude to the gunman — identified as Kas Hansson, 21 — in yielding to some of his demands.

Meanwhile, police locked Hansson, his four hostages, and freed convict Clark Olofsson, in the safely deposit vault of the bank yesterday.

Police said they hoped by this action they would later be able to seize Hansson without bloodshed.

Fifty armed police, wearing bullet-proof vests, locked their way into the main office of Kreditbanken and locked Hansson and his hostages — three female and one male bank employee — in the vault where they were sleeping.

When he took over the bank on Thursday, Hansson demanded \$850,000, the release of convict Clark Olofsson, and guaranteed safe passage out of the country. Officials complied with the first two demands.

But when Hansson, insisted on taking a hostage with them, the authorities refused.

TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

"The police are to blame for the whole mess," Hansson complained in a telephone interview broadcast by a radio station.

"All I did was to get into the bank — well, a robbery, of course — but that's my job. And then two policemen came heading towards me waving guns. Of course I shot. That's how it started," he said.

One of the hostages, Christina Elmsmark, was more critical of the authorities than of the robbers, and accused the government of "playing with our lives."

"We are more afraid of the politicians than these two boys. We are discussing, and, believe it or not, having a rather good time here..."

Israelis dance with Kuwaitis at close of Moscow games

Also meet Jews at synagogue

MOSCOW (UPI). — Arab athletes danced and mingled with Israelis at ceremonies closing the seventh World University Games last night after some Soviet spectators had whistled and jeered at the Israelis.

The unusual encounter between Arabs and Israelis occurred before 30,000 spectators at Lenin Stadium as the four-day ceremonies drew to a close.

Athletes of various nations ran to the centre of the field and began dancing conga-line fashion, and the Israelis danced along with athletes from Kuwait.

"They seemed a little nervous at first, but it was all so fast, it just happened," Israeli basketball centre Jack Elmer said afterwards. "It was great."

Leaving the stadium, the Israelis ran into a group of Soviet Jews and a group of Egyptian athletes. They chatted briefly with the Egyptians, members of each group pointing at the other's lapel buttons.

After a few nervous smiles on both sides, the Israelis and Egyptians went their separate ways.

"Maybe there's still hope," Elmer said. "We're certainly willing, but they do seem a little nervous."

The scattered jeering and whistling from Soviet spectators — much more subdued than the chorus of booing that erupted during opening ceremonies 10 days ago — occurred when the Israeli team walked on the field along with athletes of 60 other countries.

Earlier yesterday, the 32-member Israeli delegation received an enthusiastic reception from Soviet Jews at Moscow's central synagogue. More than a dozen uniformed police and an unknown number of plainclothes KGB secret police agents stood outside as the Israelis mingled with the Jews at the regular Saturday morning worship service.

"For many of them, it's the first time they have had a chance to meet and speak with Israelis," said Yair Frishman, manager of the volleyball team.

Conversing in Hebrew, Yiddish, English and Russian, the Israelis

gave the Soviets postcards, pins and emblems. The Soviets responded with similar small gifts. Several of the Russians asked the Israelis to pass on greetings to relatives in Israel.

(The Israeli contingent is due to arrive at Lod Airport this afternoon. There will be a press conference at the airport.)

Israel took ninth place in the basketball and 14th place in the volleyball competitions.

In its final basketball match on Friday, Israel beat Japan 73:62. The score at half-time was 43:40. Although the Japanese went into an early lead, Israel came back strongly, with Shmuel Avishar scoring 26 points and team captain Micha Schwartz 23 points.

In the volleyball, Israel lost its final match to Bulgaria 2:3. The Israelis won the first game 15:11, lost the next two 7:15 and 12:15, came back to win the fourth game 15:12, but went down in the last game, 15:8.

Union cancels trip

WASHINGTON (AP). — America's largest public employees union cancelled an official visit to the Soviet Union on Friday, citing the hostile treatment of Jewish fans and athletes at the university games in Moscow.

William Lucy, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFT-CIO, said the union accepted an invitation from the USSR state institutions workers union to exchange ideas with their Russian counterparts.

Mr. Lucy was to have headed a six-man delegation on the 17-day trip which was scheduled to begin on Friday. But Mr. Lucy said he and union president Jerry Wurz, who is Jewish, decided a trip at this time would be unwarranted.

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Flea threat to Rome

ROME (Reuters). — Rome is threatened by a new plague of fleas borne by cats converging on the city centre from stricken outlying parts.

Experts say the so-called "march of the fleas" is due to a population explosion among cats on building sites and disused lots on the outskirts. The city has 300,000 cats.

Some U.S. troops, jets to quit Thailand

BANGKOK (UPI). — The U.S. announced yesterday plans to pull 3,500 troops and more than 100 warplanes out of Thailand in the first phase of an American pull-out from seven bases across the country.

U.S. military sources said the withdrawal would begin "as soon as possible," as early as the beginning of this week. No type of aircraft is excluded, including B52 bombers, the sources said, and the first unit to depart will probably be those Americans deployed here from Vietnam in 1972.

Maj.-Gen. Thomas Mellen, chief of the American Military Assistance Command for Thailand, worked out the withdrawal agreement yesterday in talks with Lt.-Gen. Kriangsak Chamananda, deputy Chief of Staff of Thailand's Supreme Command.

The bases in Thailand were built by the U.S. during the 1960s at a cost of more than \$850m. Thailand has the largest concentration of American air power outside the U.S.

In Cambodia, the rebels made their biggest countrywide show of force since the August 15 American bombing halt yesterday, rocketing Phnom Penh's airport, cutting the rice road to Battambang and stepping up an assault against the surrounded province capital of Kompong Cham, military sources said.

The most serious situation apparently was at Kompong Cham. Informal sources said the city — once a thriving agricultural centre of more than 30,000 — is the next major target for the Communists.

FASTER JUMBO JET

EVERETT, Washington (AP). — The Boeing company has announced plans to develop a "special performance" 747 jumbo jet capable of flying higher, faster and further than any present jumbo jet.



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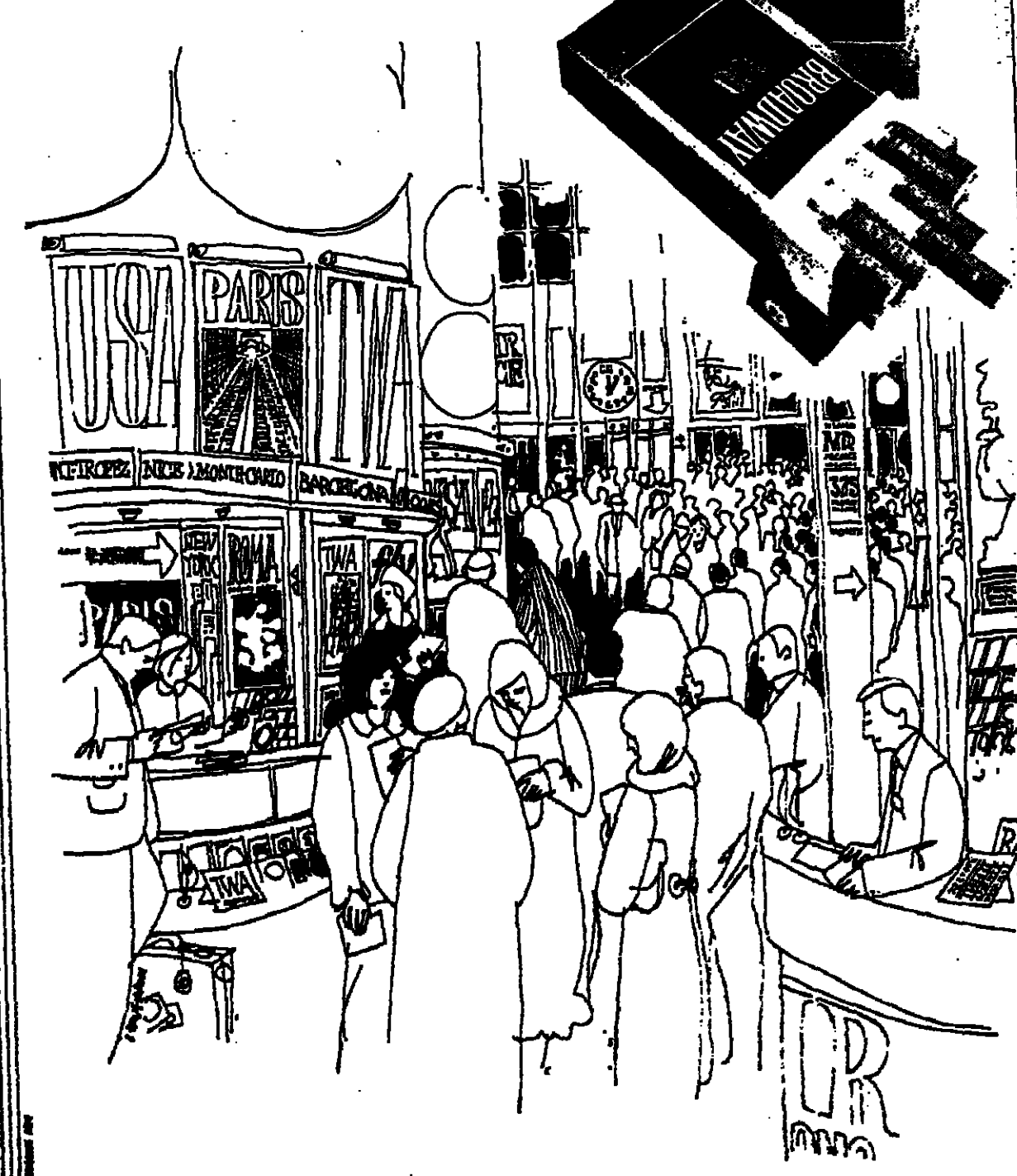
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U.S. TO OFFER IRAN 80 NEW-TYPE JETS

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The U.S. will soon offer Iran 80 of the most sophisticated fighter jets in its air arsenal — the McDonnell Douglas F15 Eagle and the Grumman F14A Tomcat, according to "Aviation News and Space Technology."

The U.S. will submit a letter of offer to Iran in early October for the sale of 50 F15s and 30 F14As, the magazine said.

It said the sales will not include the weapons systems for these two airplanes which, according to the publication, the Shah of Iran wants, to counter the Soviet Union's MIG25 Foxbat.

The Shah, who saw both planes in action at Andrews Air Force Base when he visited Washington recently, will probably arm the F15s with ADM7F Sparrow missiles, in which Israel reportedly has also expressed interest, the magazine said. Another version of the ADM7F missile will probably also be used by NATO air forces, it said.

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Jerusalem	23-28	24-30	25-31
Golan	22-27	23-29	24-30
Nahariya	25-30	26-32	27-33
Safed	24-29	25-31	26-32
Tiberias	23-28	24-30	25-31
Nazareth	23-28	24-30	25-31
Afula	23-28	24-30	25-31
Shimon	23-28	24-30	25-31
Tel Aviv	26-31	27-33	28-34
Haifa	25-30	26-32	27-33
Jericho	22-27	23-29	24-30
Qana	23-28	24-30	25-31
Bet Shean	23-28	24-30	25-31
Salt	23-28	24-30	25-31
Tiran	23-28	24-30	25-31

Social and Personal

The Rumanian Ambassador and Mrs. Ion Covaci on Thursday evening gave a cocktail reception on the occasion of Rumanian National Day, at the Perlela restaurant in Tel Aviv Fair Grounds.

Mr. Yitzhak Tulk, Chairman of the Israel Bar Association, and Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn, newly elected President of the World Jewish Jurists Organization, on Thursday night addressed a banquet at the Sharon Hotel in Herzliya. The evening was given in honor of the participants at the International Conference of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists in Jerusalem.

Mr. Simon Baker, an adviser to the City of New York on public relations and community affairs, over the weekend visited the Tel Aviv and Jaffa Municipality where he was received by Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz. (Communicated)

The unveiling of the tombstone of Arye Pincus, late chairman of the Jewish Agency, will take place at Jerusalem's Mount Herzl Cemetery at 5.00 p.m. today. A memorial service, to mark the 30th day since his death, will be held at Binyanei Ha'oma at 8.00 p.m.

The Jure Glas Memorial Scholarship Fund for needy Hebrew University students was inaugurated yesterday at a luncheon given in the University's Belgium House faculty club. The fund has been set up by the Jewish Federation of Southern Illinois.

Didn't I tell you I worked at Lod?

TEL AVIV. — A French tourist, arrested by police at Lod Airport last week as he was about to board a plane, was remanded by the District Court here Friday on suspicion of extorting money under false pretenses from a number of women in Israel.

Patrick Henry Bernard Pollock is alleged to have borrowed money from various women — after promising to marry them — to release his car from customs. So far three such cases have been reported to the police; in each one, once the woman had handed over the money, Pollock disappeared.

Last Thursday, one of Pollock's victims, who works at Lod Airport, recognized him as he was about to board a plane and leave the country. She notified the police and he was arrested.

The District Court on Friday ordered him detained for 15 days while investigations continue. (Tim)

THE HIGHEST ROAD in the country, linking the Druse village of Hourfeish, East of Nahariya to the Druse holy site of Nabi Salaban on the Lebanese border, was completed on Friday. The 3.5 km. long road, which rises from 650 metres to an altitude of 950 metres, cost IL350,000 to build.

Our dear
Dr. Abraham (Alfons) Frankfurter
has died.

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Née SJOURMAN

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SEERY VAN NIEBOP AND FAMILY — HAIFA
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Our beloved mother, sister and grandmother
HELENE GUTWIRTH
formerly of Antwerp, has passed away.
The funeral took place on Monday, August 20.

The Bereaved Family
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Phone talk breaks deadlock in centrist bloc negotiations

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The deadlock in the centrist bloc negotiations was broken last night and talks will resume this morning.

The break in the impasse ensued from a telephone conversation between Liberal Executive Chairman Simha Ehrlich and Free Centre Chairman Shmuel Tamir. This followed an angry exchange of letters launched by Mr. Tamir when he laid the blame for the impasse on Gahal, and complained that separate meetings were being held with the State List. Mr. Tamir has been adopting an increasingly angry tone in the past few days, especially since Gahal offered him eighth place on the joint list.

Gahal sources last night claimed that Mr. Ehrlich had enabled Mr. Tamir to extricate himself from the corner into which he had manoeuvred himself over places on the list.

Meanwhile, the Herut partners of the Liberals in Gahal were considering over the weekend how to react to the strong warning issued in a weekend "Maariv" interview by Arye L. Dulzin, chairman of the Liberal Central Committee. He served notice that in the event of the centrist bloc alignment breaking down, the liberals would have to embark on a separate reappraisal of their future. Reaffirming his view that it was a mistake of Herut Chairman Menachem Begin to pull Gahal out of the national unity government in 1970, Mr. Dulzin said he favoured the centrist bloc taking part in a future government.

Mr. Ehrlich, in his published reply to Mr. Tamir's demand that outstanding platform issues be settled before the listing was finalized, declared that "Mr. Tamir knows very well that the main obstacle holding up the finalizing of the negotiations is the problem of places on the Knesset list... but if it is inconvenient for Mr. Tamir to argue now over the places on the list, he should not use the excuse of issues of principle. After all, it is no disgrace to argue over suitable representation."

At the Liberal Party Executive on Friday morning, Mr. Ehrlich and other negotiators got approval for handling the talks with Mr. Ehrlich advising the Free Centre that they could hardly expect to be appointed places on the basis of already outdated opinion poll forecasts. As to the joint demand of the Free Centre and the State List for a Liberal declaration of intent on electoral reform — S.Z. Abramov, M.K., declared that the Liberals had made it clear that they stand by their convention's renewed commitment to electoral reform. Mr. Abramov believed that once the Free Centre got satisfied in places on the list, then ideological issues would be settled quickly.

Yosef Tamir complained that both the State List and the Free Centre were striving to introduce a wedge between the Liberal and Herut partners in Gahal.

One point which may prove a stumbling block is the Gahal refusal to drop its support for the Bader-Ofir Bill, as demanded by both smaller parties. All Gahal is willing to promise is a review of the matter after the Knesset elections.

Election notes

Senior army officers who change their uniforms for mufti are entitled to take their place in the country's political life but not to dominate it. Herzliya's Mayor Yosef Nevo told an Alignment meeting in Tel Aviv last week. Mr. Nevo, who is chairman of Eitgar, a Labour Party group of senior reserve officers, said "military glory alone is not a substitute for political leadership."

Representatives of the Labour Party in the Kiryat Shmona Local Council have demanded the removal of Council Chairman Avraham Aloni, who recently announced he has left the Alignment to run for election on an independent list. The local party branch will nominate David Moreh to head the Alignment list in the coming elections.

Yisrael Kargman, chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee, challenged Gahal's contention that changing the administration is a sign of true democracy. He told a meeting of young couples in Upper Nazareth last Thursday that "democracy is when the people choose their government freely — and if the people choose to put the same party back in power, that is democracy, too."

Mapam Histadrut leader Aharon Eral last week lashed out at those Kibbutz Arit members who supported one of the five "anti-Zionist and anti-Socialist" leftist lists. He said only a few hundred of the many thousands of kibbutz members supported "the likes of Uri Avnery and Shmuel Mikunis — and this is a psychological, not political-ideological, phenomenon."

The negotiations for a centrist alignment was described by Uri Avnery M.K. of Meri at an election meeting in Tel Aviv yesterday as "a comedy in instances." Mr. Avnery noted: "They talk of unity but from the first moment they have been slandering each other, calling one another failures, megalomaniacs and publicity hounds. The voter can only conclude that they are all right."

Health Minister Victor Shalomov of Mapam said on Friday night that if Defence Minister Moshe Dayan thought the Gahal document is to be accepted as is without further discussion by the Alignment partners, "he had better think twice." Mapam will insist on removing not one word, but quite a few words, from the document," he said.

Dr. Yitzhak Raphael M.K. told a rally of English-speaking supporters in Tel Aviv last night of the National Religious Party's struggle against civil marriage.

Kollek insists on Benvenisti

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem on Friday pushed forward his campaign for the right to choose Meron Benvenisti as a Deputy Mayor in the next coalition instead of the man picked by his party, Jerusalem Labour branch secretary Zvi Rosen.

It was not a personal matter but a question of allowing a Mayor to choose the people he feels are properly qualified to assist him, Mr. Kollek said in a statement released by his office.

Mr. Kollek said he opposed having the secretary of any party serve as a Deputy Mayor, since the two jobs were in conflict. In fact, in no other Municipality had a party secretary been appointed to an executive post, he maintained.

Comptroller: Knesset race to cost IL40m.

TEL AVIV. — State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebezhahl said Friday that the arrangement by which political parties now get their campaign money from the Treasury instead of from private sources was a success, and had cut back election spending. He said the current arrangement called for IL40m. to be spent on the current Knesset race.

Dr. Nebezhahl was speaking here at a luncheon of the Israel Administration Centre. He said that while supervision of party spending was not yet perfect, it was on the whole good. (Tim)

Sabotage ruled out in blast in Flem building

An explosion rocked an apartment building in Jerusalem's Beit Hakerem quarter at one a.m. on Friday, slightly damaging the building but injuring no one. Police have ruled out political sabotage as the motive.

The charge — weighing between a quarter and half a kilo — was placed next to the door of taxi driver Avraham Mirzahi, on the first floor of a block at 3 Rehov Hahomer. The blast damaged six apartments and the building's central stairwell. (Tim)

Carmel market's crooked scales confiscated

Police and Government inspectors swooped down on Tel Aviv's outdoor Carmel Market last week, confiscating dozens of scales that were found to be fixed, the spokesman of the Commerce and Industry Ministry said on Friday.

The raid followed complaints from the public that they were being cheated by many stall operators. In one case, the stall owner fled when he saw the inspectors approaching. His scale turned out to be fixed too.

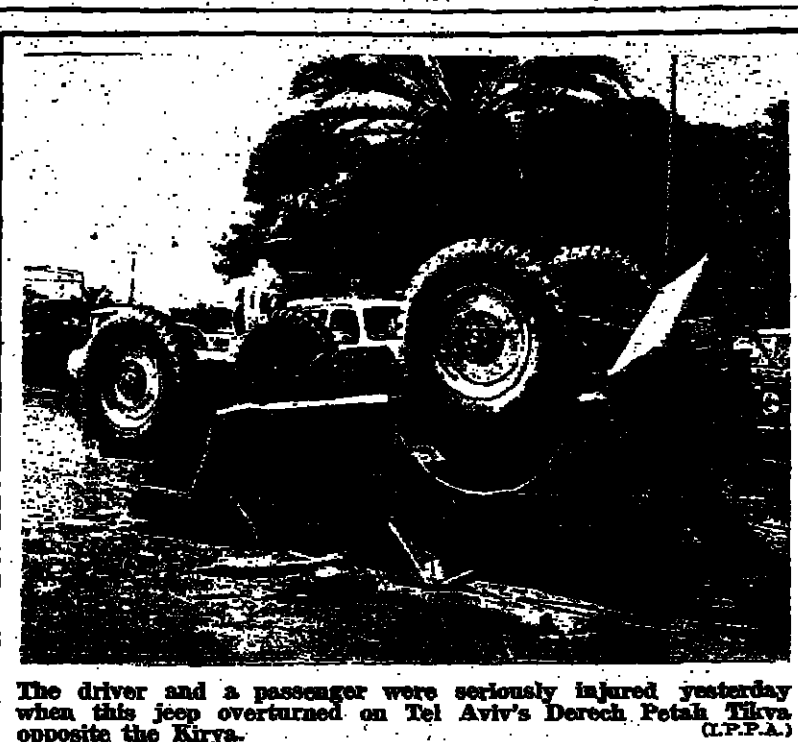
Altogether some 120 scales were checked. No arrests were reported, but inspectors handed out summonses to all suspected scale fixers.

Nat'l hoopsters meet Greece, U.S. this week

TEL AVIV. — Israel's national basketball squad will meet the Greek national team and two U.S. college teams, Alabama and Ambassador, in an international tournament at Yad Eliahu Stadium this week.

The tournament is intended as a warm-up for the European Championships due to take place in Barcelona next month. The Israeli team will include players who gained first place at the pre-Olympic competition in Vienna last July, as well as six players from the Israeli squad to the World Student Games in Moscow.

The tournament starts on Tuesday, when Israel will meet Alabama and Greece will play Ambassador. In a trial match on Friday, Israel beat Ambassador 77-57.



The driver and a passenger were seriously injured yesterday when this jeep overturned on Tel Aviv's Derech Petah Tikva opposite the Kirya.

Meri loses appeal to stop Histadrut vote

TEL AVIV. — A request by the left-wing Meri (Ha'olam Hazeh) faction for an injunction banning the September 11 elections to the Histadrut and to the local Labour Councils because they are held on the same ballot was rejected Friday by the Tel Aviv District Court — on a technicality. Judge Shlomo Ascher said he would have approved the application had it been filed on time.

Following Judge Ascher's verdict, Meri Secretary Amnon Zichroni sent an express letter to Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Esh-Abraham asking that the elections be separated. Otherwise, Meri would appeal to the Supreme Court, he said. Meri sources last night confirmed that the party's legal advisers were already preparing their material to file an appeal with the Supreme Court tomorrow morning.

Meri attorney Amnon Zichroni had requested the ban because members of both the Histadrut general convention and the local Labour Councils are elected on the same voting slip which is placed in a single envelope.

The judge agreed with Meri that this system was undemocratic. "The Histadrut constitution calls for proportional elections," he said, "which mean separate elections to the Histadrut general convention and to the Labour Councils. This is to ensure one of the fundamentals of democracy — allowing the voter to choose freely from among the lists. If the voter is forced to cast his ballot for two institutions in the same envelope he is deprived of that choice."

Judge Ascher went on to say that the many years the present system has been in effect does not make it legal. He rejected the Histadrut counsel's argument that Meri had known of this practice when it joined the Histadrut years ago. He also dismissed the argument that

8 in JDL held for anti-Soviet demonstration

TEL AVIV. — Eight members of Rabbi Meir Kahane's Jewish Defence League were held for questioning by police here on Friday following an unauthorized demonstration outside the Finnish Embassy.

They had been protesting Soviet treatment of Israel's sportsmen at the World Student Games in Moscow.

Some twenty JDL members had gathered outside the Embassy — which has represented the Soviet Union in Israel since Moscow broke off diplomatic relations after the Six Day War — bearing placards and shouting slogans. They lay down in the road and disrupted the heavy Friday-morning traffic in front of the Embassy. One of the demonstrators had a Soviet flag, which police said he intended to burn.

The group had applied for a license to hold the demonstration on Friday morning, but was turned down. Police said they had refused an offer of permission to demonstrate "at a more suitable time."

A ROAD on Mt. Carmel, south of Ahuva, was named last week for the late Moshe Soroka, a founder and for many years director of Kupat Holim.

TWO DIE ON ROADS

Two persons were killed in road accidents during the past few days. Moshe Bakar, 51, of Haifa was killed yesterday morning when his car collided with another vehicle in Rehov. The driver of the other car was slightly injured.

In another accident, on Thursday, Hassan Muhammad Sheldat, 21, of the Beduin village of Bimaleh, was killed when the small truck in which he was riding overturned. The truck had been trying to overtake a jeep near Kfar Hasidim. Police detained the truck's driver, a relative of the victim.

Football group bars 4 Israelis from world play

ZURICH (AP). — The Disciplinary Committee of the International Soccer Federation — FIFA — has suspended four Israeli players for unruly behaviour during the Israel-South Korea World Cup Elimination game in Seoul May 28.

A FIFA announcement said David Primo and Rahamin Talb were suspended for one year, until May 28, 1974, from all international representative matches for committing violence against the referee. George Burka and Yeshu Sahwager were suspended for two international matches for insulting the referee.

The match was in the Group A — Asia — Preliminary World Cup Tournament, which was won by the South Koreans.

In Tel Aviv, a spokesman of the Israel Football Association said the FIFA findings had not yet been received. The Association would withhold comment until they are added.

Jordan wrestler to grapple rival in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israel's heavy-weight "wrestling champion," Raphael Halpern, will meet his Jordanian counterpart, Abu Anter, in a match at the Yad Eliahu Stadium here on September 20. Abu Anter will be in Israel as a summer visitor.

The fight between Halpern, 46, and Abu Anter will top a six-match bill sponsored by Deputy Communications Minister Abdul Aziz Zuhairi.

The fight has aroused great interest, especially among Arab wrestling fans in Israel, and tickets for the evening are being snapped up.

Hotel maid held for jewel theft

A 41-year-old chambermaid at Jerusalem's Diplomat Hotel was arrested on Friday after police found DM60,000 (about IL100,000) worth of jewelry on her person, which she had allegedly stolen earlier from a German couple staying at the hotel.

The couple, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Demberg, noticed the jewels were missing from their room on Friday morning. (Tim)

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Int'l air body said unlikely to impose sanctions on Israel

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent
EL AVIV. — The plenum of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) due to convene in Rome on Tuesday is not expected to impose any sanctions on Israel, according to F. Sussman, Israel's delegate to the organization. Mr. Sussman told an Israel Broadcasting Corporation reporter in a telephone interview yesterday that the censure of Israel

approved by the executive committee of ICAO in Montreal had been expected in the wake of the Security Council's unanimous condemnation of Israel over the interception of a MEA airliner a fortnight ago. But behind-the-scenes canvassing had helped remove some of the harsher phrasings originally included in the Montreal censure.

Mr. Sussman believed that the massive Arab lobby at the ICAO would succeed in injecting an anti-Israel note into the meeting, which will be attended by all representatives of the 128 member states. Israel could not, however, be thrown out of this U.N.-affiliated body unless the U.N. plenum actually voted in favour of such a step. Nor was an air boycott likely. (Some foreign news sources had reported last week that the Rome body might impose a 48-hour warning-blockade on Israel). Mr. Sussman said that such a step would be without known precedent and probably not acceptable to a large number of member countries.

The body might, on the other hand, impose certain membership restrictions on Israel as have been imposed on South Africa — preventing Israel's active participation in the ICAO for some time without, however, denying it the vital information disseminated by that body.

Aviation circles here last week said that the imposition of a 48-hour aerial blockade on Israel would be "unthinkable," considering that Israel was almost totally dependent on its aerial links as far as passenger traffic and from the outside world were concerned.

The Ministry of Transport and the Association of Israel Pilots and Traffic Controllers, however, still remain at loggerheads over the MEA plane interception. The pilots' stand, as voiced by a member of their national committee last week, was that the Lebanese airliner interception was unacceptable to them, regardless of its moral and practical counter-terror justifications.

Eban: Israel will demand equal rights

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Foreign Minister Abba Eban warned the ICAO on Friday that three Arab countries had imprisoned passengers on civilian planes which had been hijacked or forced down in their territory, and that to multilateral action had been taken against them. Israel will demand equal treatment with other nations guilty of intercepting airliners if it is threatened with sanctions at the ICAO meeting, he said.

He said Israeli delegates would remind the ICAO that Algeria and Syria held Israeli crews and passengers for several months in 1968 and 1969, before releasing them in exchange for convicted Arab terrorists.

In the case of Libya, he said, Sudanese officers involved in a 1971 plot against their government were taken off an intercepted British airliner and extradited to Sudan, where they were executed.

Algeria, Mr. Eban added, took Congolese secessionist leader Moïse Tshombe from a hijacked Spanish liner in 1967, and held him until 1969, when Tshombe died in jail.

U.S. to block anti-Israel moves at Rome air meet

Jerusalem Post Staff
U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Rush told a delegation of American Jewish leaders on Friday that the U.S. would oppose any punitive measures against Israel at the general assembly of the International Civil Aviation Association (ICAO), which opens in Rome on Tuesday. This was stated by Rabbi Israel Miller, a member of the delegation.

During the day Mr. Rush also met with Ambassador Simha Dinitz, who asked for U.S. help in blocking Arab moves at the assembly for sanctions over Israel's intercepting a Lebanese airliner in its search for terrorist leaders. This was part of a world-wide diplomatic effort being mounted by the Israel Foreign Ministry.

Jerusalem sources had not been sure yesterday the U.S. delegation would be willing to fight hard against an anti-Israel ICAO resolution. They noted the U.S. compromised on such a resolution at the ICAO Council's emergency meeting in Montreal some days ago.

Rabbi Miller who is acting chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said his delegation met with Rush to tell him that any punitive measures against Israel over the August 10 interception would be "unjustified" and incompatible with U.S. policy.

They would also be contrary to the August 15 Security Council resolution condemning Israel for the interception, as that had not called for sanctions.

In Jerusalem, Transport Minister Shimon Peres, who shares responsibility for coordinating the work of the Israeli delegation to the ICAO meet with Foreign Minister Abba Eban, has sent personal cables to a number of Transport Ministers asking support in the matter.

Israeli diplomatic missions abroad have been instructed to tell their host governments that any sanction-type moves against Israel in Rome would constitute blatant discrimination.

Israel's delegation to Rome will probably be headed by Ambassador Amiel Najjar, and will include officials of the Foreign and Transport Ministries, as well as a representative of El Al.

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Chairwoman Golda Meir hits out at red tape.

(Shalom Bar-Tal)

Meir denounces red tape for olim Wants offices open longer

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Golda Meir Friday delivered a sharp attack on the bureaucratic red tape, inefficiency and prolonged delays which have become an inherent part of the immigrant absorption process here. Blaming many of the problems on the insensitivity of government workers, she suggested that offices dealing with immigrant absorption remain open in the afternoon and evening.

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FRANKFURT FIREMEN HINDERED

Crowd jubilant as building burns

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
BONN. — The fire which damaged the 42-story office building of Persian banker Ali Selmi in Frankfurt last week also lifted the lid from latent anti-Shah and anti-capitalist feeling in the city.

The full story of how thousands of spectators milled about in the streets hindering desperate firemen trying to extinguish the spectacular blaze is just now coming out.

Eye-witness reports in the press here disclose how jubilant onlookers screamed "more, more," as burning wood crashed to the ground, or "All you gangster, you've seen the last of your house."

Ali Selmi, 46, a millionaire banker who came to Frankfurt in 1953, has long been the target of left-wing radicals for his alleged speculative business deals, buying up cheap tenements in the city's West-End section to make room for profitable office structures.

He is also an admitted admirer of the Shah of Iran whose state visit to West Germany in May 1967 sparked fierce street battles between youthful protesters and police in West Berlin and other cities.

In May 1972, Selmi's Frankfurt bank was the scene of an unsuccessful arson attempt.

Frankfurt investigators suspected

arson in last Wednesday's fire, which broke out at 10 in the evening in the 39th floor of the skyscraper on the Platz der Republik.

But so far police findings have reportedly failed to come up with any concrete proof the fire was started intentionally.

The Selmi building, the tallest in West Germany, was still under construction in the top levels but was due, to be dedicated on Tuesday, with final completion by next year. The fire was like a torch in the Frankfurt night, in view for miles around. Firemen needed eight hours to get it under control.

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Pornothèque ditched in Haifa

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — About 150 pornographic films and two tape recorders were found abandoned in the port here on Friday soon after the arrival of an Israeli freighter. It is believed the would-be smugglers bolted when they felt the eye of the customs men on them.



BURNING DOWN THE PAST. — Remains of a hut that housed archaeological finds and notes from the dig along the southern wall of Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The hut was destroyed early yesterday. (Rahamim Yissar)

Britain, Israel initial new air accord

LONDON (INA). — After protracted negotiations, Israel and Britain initiated a new air agreement on Friday.

Details of the flights under the new agreement are now being worked out. New time tables will be introduced later in the year.

Under the terms of the new agreement, there will be equality of extension flights beyond Tel Aviv for British, and beyond London for the Israelis. It has been agreed that there will be four such weekly flights for each of the two carriers. Thus El Al will maintain its existing flights between London and New York.

The new agreement will replace the one concluded in 1950.

Woman swimmer badly hurt by speedboat

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TIBERIAS. — A speedboat pulling a water-skier struck and seriously injured a woman swimmer, Hanna Azar, 19, in Lake Kinneret about noon yesterday.

The accident happened some 250 metres off shore, near the Russian Garden at Migdal north of here. Miss Azar was taken to Tiberias's Poriya hospital, where she underwent an emergency operation and is reported in critical condition. The young man who had been at the helm, a local resident, was detained for questioning.

Fire guts hut housing Temple-area finds

Police have arrested a man in connection with the fire which early yesterday morning gutted a shed housing archaeological finds from Jerusalem's Temple area. The shed also contained notes made by the team excavating at the southern end of the Western Wall.

Police yesterday afternoon said they were holding an unnamed man aged about 50 for questioning.

The fire broke out at about 1.20 yesterday morning. By the time firemen arrived ten minutes later, the shed was completely gutted and most of its contents damaged.

Prof. Benjamin Mazar, who is in charge of the excavations at the Wall, told them that none of the artifacts stored in the shed were of any great value. The shed is used for sorting, and all valuable

finds are kept in more permanent structures at the site.

As for the cause of the fire, deputy Jerusalem Fire Chief Yitzhak Kohn said the shed's electrical circuit had been checked and there were no signs that a short circuit was responsible. There were, however, signs of paraffin in the shed, he said.

A man who lives just 20 metres from the excavation site, near the Dung Gate in the Old City, told police his son had awakened him and said he had heard a bottle breaking near the shed. The man said he rushed out and heard someone running away from the shed, which was already burning.

The watchman at the site, on the other hand, said he heard nothing at all until flames burst through the asbestos roof of the shed.

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France won't confirm fourth nuclear test

PARIS — The French Government refused to comment yesterday on a claim that France had exploded a fourth nuclear device in its current South Pacific test series.

In Canberra, Prime Minister Gough Whitlam said Australia had reason to believe that France had set off a fresh device.

France has refused to give any information about this summer's tests, which have brought a barrage of protests from countries bordering the Pacific. But it is expected to make a public announcement on the 1973 series when it is completed.

A Paris newspaper, "L'Aurore," said the new atmospheric explosion was the first thermonuclear device tested this year and that it would be the last test in the internationally-protested French campaign which began on July 21.

Australian officials were unable to determine the size of the reported latest blast. The three previous tests this year were reportedly in the low-yield, kiloton range, leading to speculation that France was perfecting a "nuclear trigger" for a larger hydrogen bomb explosion.

In Auckland, New Zealand, two girls released by the French after being captured when the protest boat Greenpeace III was seized near Mururoa Atoll recently, accused French sailors of brutality when they returned here on Friday.

At Home, 20, said the French boarding party was armed with

rubber clubs, knives and a gun. She said they began immediately to beat up skipper David McTaggart and kicked and clubbed navigator Nigel Ingram until he was unconscious.

"The sailors then grabbed us, threw our movie camera overboard and seized film from every camera on board," she said.

McTaggart was taken to one of three warships standing by and when last seen, the whole tight side of his face was a mass of blood.

The French towed the Greenpeace III to Mururoa with the girls and Ingram on board under guard. Both girls said they were going to ask the New Zealand Government to take action over force used in their alleged arrest in international waters.

FRANCE CONDEMNED

France has continued to test atmospherically in spite of a suspension order by the International Court of Justice in the Hague. The latest objection to the tests came on Thursday when the 24-nation U.N. Decolonization Committee condemned further blasts.

There is an indication that France might in the future drop atmospheric tests, the daily newspaper "Le Monde" reported. It said Defence Minister Robert Galley, who left for a South Pacific tour on Thursday, would investigate the feasibility of underground testing in stations on the Marquesas Islands. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

Astronauts set endurance mark for time in space

SPACE CENTRE, Houston — The Skylab 2 astronauts yesterday became history's longest space travelers, and their commander reported they were healthy and "sure as hell" during Friday's spacewalk.

Alan Bean, Dr. Owen Garriott and Jack Lousman early yesterday smashed the single-mission endurance mark of 28 days and 50 minutes, set in June by the Skylab 1 crew.

Mission control calculated the astronauts had circled the world 404 times and had travelled 13.6 million kms. since their launching on July 28.

The astronauts returned to orbital research yesterday after a second successful spacewalk on Friday. The space explorers had biomedical ex-

periments and 11 hours of sun watching on their flight plan, after installing a new set of vital stabilizers and gyroscopes and loading the solar study instruments with fresh film during Friday's spacewalk.

The spacewalk was a one-day version for the crew, and Garriott, the mission scientist, was back at the control panel for the solar study instruments.

Flight director Neil Hutchinson said after the astronauts' four and a half hours outside that the replacement of six of the nine gyros "has got to be termed an unqualified success. The crew did a sterling job outside the vehicle," he said happily. "We didn't have any problems at all. It was a satisfying day."



London model Moya Smith shows off some of the clothing and accessories which will be sold during the 1974 World Cup Soccer Tournament, to be played in West Germany. (AP radiophoto)

3 die in Ulster blast

BELFAST — Two men and a 15-year-old boy were killed here yesterday by an explosion in a garage, police said.

Firemen found two of the bodies beside a car. The torso of the third was discovered in a nearby field.

The dead boy was an apprentice garage mechanic. No warning was given before the blast, but there had been reports just before the explosion of a suspicious car in the area of north Belfast that includes the garage.

Police were checking various possible causes of the blast, among them a car bomb left at the garage, or an explosion in a gas line. Another theory being checked was that a bomb had been delivered to the garage for a terrorist unit and had been exploded.

Meanwhile, British soldiers yesterday opened an abandoned car near the Irish Republic border and found the body of a Catholic man who the IRA said it executed two weeks ago as an informer.

Patrick Duffy, a 37-year-old father of seven, was the 873rd person killed in four years of Ulster violence. The IRA captured Duffy, of Londonderry's Roman Catholic Creggan Estate, two weeks ago and said it executed him as a "self-confessed informer."

'Birth to maturity' study in Britain

U.K. CLASS GAP PERSISTS

By DAVID LENNON

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The class gap in Britain is certainly not narrowing despite the welfare state and occasional periods of Labour government.

A report of the National Children's Bureau published last week shows that class distinctions still persist, and that the situation does not seem to get any better.

Britain is still producing an under-educated lower class, and the chances of any bright individual escaping from the path through life that seems to be ordained at birth are low.

This finding is not based on some brief research project, but is the conclusion of a continuing survey of 17,000 children born during one week in March, 1958, which is intended to provide accurate statistical data on the

same children from birth to maturity.

The first report of the study was published last year and covered the period from birth to the age of seven. It showed a direct correlation between the behaviour of children and the occupational status of their fathers.

Working-class children were found to be inferior to their middle-class counterparts in speech, to do worse at school, less likely to use dental or health clinics and to have inferior physical coordination.

The latest report covers children up to the age of 11, and Dr. David, director of the Bureau, notes:

"As was found at seven years, on all measures of ability and attainment at school, the social class results showed a sharp differentiation in performance between the children whose fathers have non-manual (middle-class) occupation from those whose fathers have manual (working-class) occupations."

Dr. David suggests that this situation is partly the result of the educational system. Schools, he says, overwhelmingly reflect the values, norms and expectations of the middle class, profes-

sional men and women who start them. So, children from homes which generate the same attitudes as those held by the teachers have a great advantage at school.

The report goes on to say that "in relation to literacy at least, the size of the gap in attainment between the social class groups represents a challenge which the schools must meet."

But the challenge is not only to the schools. Compared to his middle-class contemporary, the working-class child will be one inch shorter, more likely to squint, to have a speech defect, and to wet his bed.

The first survey showed that children from working-class homes had less help from the social services than middle-class children, even though they needed it services much more. As David puts it: "Social class differences extend to health and physical development, the original factors and to the use of services. The initiative, then, must surely match the dimensions of the problem."

He concludes: "The situation as early as seven years of age looked bleak. The situation at 11 years looks no better, and indeed may well be worse."

Cyprus police arrest 30

NICOSIA (Reuters). — Police hunting for supporters of former Cypriot leader George Grivas said yesterday they had arrested 30 people in two days of raids and searches in the Famagusta District of eastern Cyprus.

One of the detainees is held on suspicion of taking part in the shooting on Thursday of two policemen who were in a search party.

Large quantities of arms, ammunition and seditious documents have been uncovered in the searches, according to official statements.

General Grivas, who won fame by organizing the original guerrilla battle against British rule on the Mediterranean island, now leads the E.O.K.A. underground movement, which the government says intends to overthrow the state.

Waldheim off on M.E. trip

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim was leaving New York last night for a trip to the Middle East. A U.N. spokesman said Mr. Waldheim would not present any specific proposals to Israel and the Arab states, but would sound out both sides on the Middle East problem.

Mr. Waldheim was scheduled to fly first to Geneva for talks with Swedish Ambassador Gunnar Jarling, the U.N.'s Middle East envoy.

The spokesman said the Secretary-General was leaving a day ahead of schedule to give himself more time for talks with Mr. Jarling before meeting Middle East leaders.

After conferring with Jarling, Mr. Waldheim is due to visit Syria on August 27-28, Lebanon August 28-29, Israel August 30-31, Egypt September 1-2, and Jordan September 3-4.

Mr. Waldheim also plans to fly to Algeria to attend a conference of so-called nonaligned nations. His schedule for the Algerian visit has not yet been set but U.N. sources said he would remain in Algeria for at least two days before returning to New York.

Mr. Waldheim will be accompanied by his son, Brian Waldheim, a political affairs, Anton von Haska, his personal assistant, and Andre Levin, his spokesman.

Cairo envoy in fall death

LONDON (UPI). — A high-ranking Egyptian diplomat plunged to his death yesterday from the ninth floor balcony of a luxury apartment block in the northwest London.

Eye witnesses said Gen. El-Leissey Nasser, 53, was seen clinging to the balcony of the stairway towers by one hand, seconds later he fell to his death. He was wearing only pyjamas.

The general was Egypt's new ambassador to Greece. Diplomatic sources said.

He was in London for treatment at a London hospital before taking up his new post.

Argentina Pepsi man said kidnapped

BUENOS AIRES (UPI). — A Pepsi-Cola executive is being held by kidnappers for \$1m. ransom, police sources said yesterday. However, a director of the company said: "There has been no kidnapping of any executive of Pepsi-Cola Argentina, nor does the company have any problem with any guerrillas or criminals."

U.K. LOAN TO JORDAN

LONDON (INA). — Britain is lending Jordan \$10m. to buy goods and services for a development programme.

WRAPPED LIKE SALAMI ROLLS
Italians seize \$46m. worth of raw heroin

PADUA, Italy (UPI). — Narcotics agents shadowing suspected Mafia drug traffickers seized a record 32 kilograms of almost pure raw heroin wrapped like rolls of salami and destined for the U.S., Italian authorities here reported on Friday.

In Italy the heroin was valued at \$12m. but U.S. authorities said it would have sold for more than \$46m. in America.

Two Sicilians identified as members of the so-called "new Mafia" and a government employee in the nearby town of Fardone were arrested in what police sources said was the biggest confiscation of hard drugs in Italy's history.

Italian narcotics agents, working with the U.S. Drug Administration, found the heroin on Thursday night in the trunk of an unlocked car parked by two of the suspects in

front of the Padua railroad station. They said the heroin, which was 90 per cent pure, was in 50 individual rolls covered with paper used to wrap salami.

Authorities said they were seeking the "couriers" believed assigned to drive the car to Genoa, where it was to be loaded onto a ship for delivery to the U.S. They said the shipment had arrived in Italy from the French port of Marseilles, for many years a centre of heroin smuggling and processing.

The seizure and the arrests came after six months of surveillance of alleged Mafia in "hoggish" obduracy (enforced residence) in the northern Veneto and Friuli regions.

For the last two months the investigation centered on Giuseppe Palmieri, 58, and Leonardo Crini, 48, because of their frequent contacts with suspected Mafia-Americans and Mafia-French, authorities said. Both have long records including weapons violations, robbery, intimidation, and for Palmieri, homicide. When Palmieri and Crini, 53, a state employee in Fardone, parked the sedan belonging to Crini's girlfriend at the railroad station, plainclothes agents were watching. They moved to search as soon as the two men parted.

Soviet Jews reach U.S.

NEW YORK (INA). — A computer mathematician and his wife, a Russian language and literature teacher, were among 51 Soviet Jews, many of them professionals, who arrived at Kennedy Airport last Thursday, it was reported by United Press Service, which assisted all of the newcomers. A first group of 51 Jews arrived on Wednesday.

The group was part of the almost 200 Jews from the Soviet Union expected here by the end of the week. Attorney-General Richardson's decision to invoke the parole authority on behalf of Soviet Jews awaiting U.S. visas in Rome made the immigration possible.

Swedish King is slightly better

STOCKHOLM (Reuters). — Ninety-year-old King Gustav Adolf of Sweden tried to speak with members of his family for the first time in three days yesterday as doctors reported a slight improvement in his condition.

His 30 year old granddaughter, Princess Christina, told reporters, leaving the hospital, "it's obvious that he has improved."

The King had been lying in bed and half-dozing since the morning, when he suffered a stroke after major stomach surgery three days before.

A water cannon truck dispersed demonstrators yesterday along a blocked avenue in Santiago, during continued Chilean riots. (AP radiophoto)

CHILE'S 'NATIONAL' CABINET COLLAPSES

Army may turn on Allende

SANTIAGO (Reuters). — Chilean President Salvador Allende yesterday delayed the nomination of a new Defence Minister, amid indications he had lost the support of armed forces chiefs who joined him in a "national security cabinet" only 17 days ago.

Following Thursday's resignation of Army Commander-in-Chief General Carlos Prats as Defence Minister, the navy officially announced that its chief, Admiral Raul Montero, had resumed his command. This indicated that he had also decided to leave the Government, in which he was Finance Minister. President Allende might now have to reshuffle his entire cabinet, instead of merely replacing General Prats.

General Prats' resignation was preceded by that of the Air Force Commander, General Oscar Ruiz, as Public Works and Transport Minister. He quit a week ago after failing to settle a crippling strike by road haulage operators which is costing the country about \$6m. a day.

Fresh negotiations to end the strike broke down on Friday night and the stoppage continued into its second month. About 45,000 lorries are idle, many of them deliberately sabotaged by their owners. Santiago and other cities face serious shortages of food and other essential supplies.

In a wave of violence by left and rightwing extremists, almost 600 dynamite attacks and other

sabotage attempts erupted in the past month, and clashes between rival political groups and with the police raged in the centre of Santiago.

In the latest riot on Friday anti-Government students clashed with police for more than three hours. Several people were injured and at least 25 students detained.

The apparent collapse of the Marxist President's military-political alliance brought a wave of rumours in opposition news media that the military were now preparing to move against him. Dr. Allende Friday night blamed the opposition majority in Congress for the break-up of his alliance with the military. He accused opposition members of the lower house of planning a coup.

SOVIET HARASSMENT OF JEWS AND ISRAELIS

The world games without good will

MOSCOW (UPI). — The technical know-how which the Soviet Union will need to stage the 1980 Olympics certainly was much in evidence during the 16 days of the World University Games. However, the principles of "good will" and "peaceful understanding among nations" that supposedly are the hallmark of these international competitions were far less conspicuous.

For while Russian athletes were time and again racing home first amid efficiently run facilities, Soviet Jews were being assaulted and harassed at basketball competitions. Further, the spectacle of Cuban athletes beating American players over the head with wooden chairs hardly suggested any feeling of "good will."

The facade of heavy security was everywhere in sight in the person of uniformed police and militia. But in the final analysis, where were the security men when they were really needed — that is, during the pummeling of Soviet Jews after the Israeli-Puerto Rico basketball game and the brawl between the U.S. and Cuba basketball teams. And then there was the issue of press freedom: journalists were denied accessibility to the athletes and coaches except during the competitions. While sheltering the athletes behind guarded gates may be considered a wise gesture in the light of the events at Munich last summer, are international competitions really worth it if these sort of measures must be imposed?

The head of the 302-member American delegation at the Games, George Killian, said that "unless conditions improve, I would be against the Olympics coming to

Romance or joke?

LONDON (INA). — The "Daily Express" yesterday reported rumours of a love affair between 19-year-old Israeli basketball player Joshua Schwartz and Soviet super athlete Olga Korbut, who were seen "dancing the night away" and holding hands under the table in the cafeteria of Moscow University.

Asked by the newspaper's correspondent whether the story was true, Schwartz at first said "yes," but later changed his mind "after the head of the Israel delegation had spoken to him."

Schwartz said, "Okay, I will tell you—it was all a joke. We did it because the Russians would not allow our journalists to come to Moscow to write about the games."

He assured the British correspondent he had never met Olga, just seen her from a distance in gymnastic displays. A Soviet team spokesman said: "This is nonsense. Olga already has a boy friend in the Soviet Union."

Moscow. Many of the athletes whose free movements were restricted by stern-faced guards at every hallway and door would probably agree.

Press comment in the U.S. has

been critical of the Russian handling of the Games. The "Washington Post" said on Friday that the official harassment of Israeli athletes and Russian Jewish spectators "suggests that the responsible authorities were so eager to intimidate emigration-minded Soviet Jews that they were willing to sanction acts certain to be widely reported abroad by the foreign press covering the games and certain to draw charges of official anti-Semitism." The editorial referred to these acts as "a sickening instance of the perversion of sports for political purposes" and said they were "reminiscent of the 1936 Olympics in Nazi Germany."

The paper said that the incidents raise "the most serious question about the Soviet Union's fitness to host any future Olympics, as it evidently hopes to do."

In London a "Daily Telegraph" correspondent said that the incidents in Moscow have jeopardized Moscow's chances of holding the 1980 Olympics, and not solely because of anti-Semitic manifestations. He said that athletes of other nations taking part in the games had to show their passes four times to get into their quarters — "and such is the temperament of the Russians, that they were required to produce them four times again on leaving the building. The only amusement provided was Mickey Mouse films and the food was at best indifferent."

A "Guardian" correspondent praised Russian "flexibility" at the Games and "the way that some people have shown initiative."

Secret Service stops anti-Soviet protest

WASHINGTON (INA). — Some 20 Jewish boys and girls had to cancel a protest planned across the street from the Soviet Embassy here on Friday, when they were threatened with arrest by officers from the Executive Protective Service, a special Federal police service for foreign diplomats in Washington.

The youngsters had planned to spend the noon hour bouncing basketballs on the sidewalk to protest the harassment of Israeli athletes and Russian Jews during the World University Games in Moscow.

U.K. jail term for Israeli shoplifter

LONDON (INA). — A London magistrate on Friday jailed an Israeli tourist for two weeks for stealing underwear from a boutique.

Miss Shuli Hanani, 19, admitted stealing three bras and two pairs of panties worth £5.80 (about \$16).

An Egyptian aircraft engineer was jailed for thirty days on a similar charge. He had stolen a shirt worth £1.50.

Two tons of opium seized in Turkey

ANKARA (Reuters). — Turkish security forces have seized a huge haul of more than two tons of raw opium near the southern city of Adana, police reported yesterday.

Acting on a tip-off, they stopped a lorry travelling between Adana and the neighbouring city of Mersin and found 150 kilos of raw opium. The driver and three others aboard the lorry were detained for questioning.

Thieves steal payroll from police station

LIVORNO, Italy (Reuters). — Thieves broke into the police headquarters here, forced open a safe and made off with 17m. lire (about \$1,000,000) in policemen's wages early yesterday. Embarrassed officials said they were examining tools left behind by the cool thieves.

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Martha Mitchell says Nixon told 'damn lie'

SAN CLEMENTE, California. — Martha Mitchell said on Friday she read a "campaign strategy book" written by President Nixon and H.R. Haldeman, which included "procedures of everything that has happened." She added that Nixon told "a damn lie" in his news conference last week.

Mrs. Mitchell said Nixon's news conference denial that her husband, former Attorney-General John Mitchell, had told him the details of Watergate, was "a damn lie." She said the Senate Watergate Committee should call her to testify.

Her husband shielded Nixon in his testimony to the committee, because he hopes Nixon will pay him back with executive clemency if Mitchell is convicted of crimes, Mrs. Mitchell said in a telephone interview with (UPI) reporter Helen Thomas. She said she thinks her husband is "a goddamned fool" to protect Nixon.

"I saw the leather-bound campaign strategy book for 1972 that was written by Nixon and Haldeman," she said. "It was at least two inches thick. Everything was there from A to Zeta."

She disputed Nixon's statement that Mitchell had never told him about the Watergate break-in, and that he had asked Mitchell about it. "For God's sake, he used to call John at two o'clock in the morning, and he said he didn't call his Attorney-General? He called him every night. I've got proof. Nixon was aware of the whole goddamned thing," she said.

PROXIMITY ON NIXON

Meanwhile, Senator William Proxmire, a Wisconsin Democrat, said on Friday he thinks there is no chance of impeaching President Nixon. He also questioned the value of the Presidential tapes being sought by the Senate Committee and the office of special Watergate Prosecutor Archibald Cox.

Proxmire said he thinks only three or four senators want to see the President impeached. "I think we have to cheer for the fact that he's our President and do all we can to help him," he said.

(AP, UPI)



Flood waters which washed away the railway track near Multan last week cut off the Pakistani city of Karachi. (AP radiophotos)

Floods force Pakistanis to evacuate second town

NEW DELHI (AP). — Pakistan Conservative estimates put the death toll at more than 1,000. Reports from Karachi said the second important city to be submerged in two weeks of floods that have claimed an estimated 1,000 lives. Radio Pakistan said rampaging waters from the nearby Indus broke through protective walls outside the Punjab province city 1,000 km. northeast of Karachi.

The homes of another 400,000 residents were threatened, according to the radio. The flooding has been the worst in the country in 18 years. The central Pakistan city of Khanpur with a population of 70,000 was evacuated on Thursday to avoid the onrushing Indus.

The radio, in broadcasts heard in New Delhi, said army and civilian authorities were fighting a "desperate battle" to control casualties and loss of property in the Punjab.

Iraq purge reported High Court to rule on appeal of terrorists

BEIRUT (AP). — A massive purge was reported under way in Iraq over the weekend amid speculation that President Ali Bakr is about to restore diplomatic relations with the U.S., Britain, West Germany and Iran.

The right-wing Beirut newspaper "Al Hayat" reported that the chief of Iraq's Intelligence Service, Col. Saddam Shaker, has been fired and has flown with 10 senior aides to exile in Moscow. It said also that the Governor of Baghdad, Khairallah Tilfah, who is also chief of the Baghdad police force, has been retired on pension, and that Bakr has appointed new men known to be loyal to him to key posts in Iraq's security department.

The Iraqi Embassy and the Iraqi News Agency office in Beirut had no immediate comment on "Al Hayat's" report.

The High Court will today consider an appeal by ten suspected terrorists caught in Lebanon that the military court in Lydda has no right to try them.

The ten, nationals of Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Syria and Qatar were caught last September in a raid on terrorist bases in Lebanon. Justice Yitzhak Cohen, before whom the application was brought last week, decided to hand it over to a regular three-judge High Court panel.

The application from the ten maintains their trial here is in violation of international law. They say they were brought to Israel against their will, and that they had done no injury to Israel's security. Earlier, the Lydda military court turned down a challenge on similar grounds from the men.

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DAYAN TALKS OF COMPROMISE 'Peace closer than year ago'

NEW YORK (AP). — Israel Defense Minister Moshe Dayan believes that peace between Israel and the Arabs is "much closer" than a year ago, and says that Israel was willing to make territorial compromises for peace with Egypt and Jordan.

Speaking in a television interview on Friday, Mr. Dayan said he would not forecast when peace would come, but he based his optimism on the fact that because of regular daily contact between Israeli and Jordanian Arabs under Israel's administration, Jordan had come "much closer to making real peace with us, to live with us peacefully."

Mr. Dayan added that other Arab states "realize that they do not stand a chance to win" in a new war, and that "ultimately they will have to think in terms of making peace."

The Israeli Minister said he was confident that the Arabs were too

Threat to Nixon: charges dropped

NEW ORLEANS (AP). — Federal charges of threatening to kill President Nixon were dropped on Friday against former New Orleans policeman Edwin M. Gaudet, because a witness could not positively identify him, authorities said.

The sole witness upon whose statement the charges had been brought could not now positively identify Gaudet. U.S. Attorney General Callahan said.

Gaudet has been in custody in Albuquerque, New Mexico, since Wednesday when he surrendered to his wife and cousin, ending a three-day manhunt in the rugged mountains of northern New Mexico.

New Mexico officials said Gaudet had been removed from Federal custody and placed immediately in state custody, on three counts of assault with intent to kill a police officer.

Those charges were filed on Wednesday in Tuson before magistrate Judge Norbert Martinez. Martinez said the charges related to shots Gaudet allegedly fired at three local policemen during the manhunt.

Habash says Egypt is arresting workers

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) said yesterday Egyptian authorities have arrested scores of workers as part of a crackdown on "progressive and nationalist struggles."

The Lebanese Communist Party charged that the regime of President Anwar Sadat was seeking to "liquidate the heritage of the late President Nasser in all fields."

A report in the PFLP's newspaper "Al Hadaf" said the Egyptian workers were arrested on the eve of trade union elections. The workers were rounded up "on the pretext that they are saboteurs, instigating other workers and taking part in an anti-government organization," the newspaper said.

Sadat is reviving an old anti-Communist law that provides a punishment of 15 years imprisonment for those found guilty of launching Communist activities, the newspaper said.

The Communist Party, in a statement published yesterday, said the "tendency to make concessions and retreat is the prevailing trend in Egypt."

It accused the Egyptian Government of going back on social and economic achievements, and encouraging the "infiltration of imperialist and Arab reactionary capital."

The statement further criticized the "people's revolution" in Libya and attempts at merger between Libya and Egypt.

THE BIG QUESTION

(Continued from page one)

East, as with most other problems he has focused upon, has been seen mainly in the context of superpower relationships and influence. Maintaining Israel stronger than the Arabs has been the result of Washington's policy of ensuring that the Soviet Union does not try to invest too much in arming those still sworn to wage war against the Jewish state.

Recently, however, other considerations have been influencing American policy toward the Arab-Israeli conflict. These are the diminished Soviet presence in Egypt, Arab threats to hold back oil from the U.S. market, and some anti-Israel feeling around by Jerusalem's anti-terrorist tactics.

At his press conference last Monday, outgoing Secretary of State William Rogers responded to the question of pressure from the Arab oil states by reiterating the "undesirability of an imposed solution and the desirability of discussions among the parties" — which is not what the Arabs want.

Considerably more than this kind of restatement of past policy will be required to hold Congress and opinion makers to a policy of maintaining Israel's strength until the

Arafat says PLA not in Lebanon

BEIRUT (AP). — Palestinian terrorist leader Yasser Arafat conferred for 45 minutes yesterday with Lebanese Prime Minister Solh and denied the presence of "regular" Palestinian forces in Lebanon.

Arafat — recently returned from a trip to Moscow — and two other leaders of Fatah called on Solh ostensibly to congratulate him for the formation on June 5 of the first Lebanese cabinet since the terrorist-Lebanese Army fighting in May.

The Beirut newspaper "Al Nahar" quoted Parliamentary sources as saying the presence of the Yarmouk Brigade of the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) was delaying the normalization of relations between Lebanon and Syria.

Solh said after the meeting, Arafat told him the Yarmouk Brigade was not in Lebanon and that the "small units" which entered Lebanon in May had been withdrawn.

'Kissinger adds new M.E. hope'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The appointment of Dr. Henry Kissinger as U.S. Secretary of State has added a new dimension to the possibility of a Middle East settlement, a "Financial Times" columnist wrote on Friday.

There are reports that Kissinger has already prepared documents on the Middle East, Robert Graham writes. He adds, however, that no new initiative is likely before the

U.N. committee checks Israel

GENEVA (Reuters). — A United Nations committee investigating Israeli practices affecting human rights in the administered territories met here yesterday to draft its annual report to the U.N. General Assembly. The report is expected to concentrate mainly on the question of immigrant settlers from the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and the United States in the territories occupied by Israel during the Six Day War.

The Committee will also investigate Arab allegations of Israel's denial of the right of return to those who fled their homes during and after the war. The three members of the committee are Ambassador H.S. Amersingh of Ceylon, chairman, Ambassador Nur Elmi of Somalia, and Dr. Borut Bont of Yugoslavia.

The two-week meeting will be private and no communiqué is expected at the end. Sources said the report would probably be presented to the General Assembly at the end of next month.

U.S. veterans for trade with Arab

ST. LOUIS, Missouri (UPI). — The foreign relations committee of the American Veterans of World War II last week adopted a resolution urging the U.S. to expand trade with Arab countries.

The committee said it supported the continued independence of Israel, but said that country has achieved enough strength to free itself from military dependence on the U.S. "Therefore we believe this is the right time for a new Secretary of State to open vigorous diplomacy in the Middle East to meet the trade requirements of both the Arabs and the U.S.," the resolution said.

Arab workers want to boycott U.S. goods

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — The Federation of Arab Commercial Workers will implement its decision for an Arab boycott of American goods within two weeks, its Secretary-General Mohammed Mahmoud Mustafa said here yesterday.

The Federation's central committee decided on the boycott at its final meeting here on Friday night "because of the U.S. support of Israel." The council, which began its meeting here last Wednesday, represents workers in Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, and Morocco, as well as Palestinian workers.

GADDAFI ULTIMATUM EXPIRES

'Imminent' clash over Libyan oil

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Libya's deadline on its takeover ultimatum to four major American oil companies expired yesterday, and well-informed oil sources said a major confrontation could be in the offing.

The government of Colonel Gaddafi asked for a reply yesterday to its demand for a 50 per cent controlling interest in the companies' operations and installations in Libya of Texaco, Mobil Oil, Standard Oil of New Jersey and Standard Oil of California.

The Libyan Government has already enforced similar takeovers with two other oil concerns — Occidental and the Occidental Group of Continental, Marathon and Amerasia — but a fourth company in the Occidental Group, Royal Dutch

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Managers and workers ISRAEL'S NEW 'CLASS FIGHT'

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

INDEPENDENT Liberal Histadrut head Hillel Seidel is far from a Marxist but he warns of one class struggle in Israel for which he blames Labour alignment, a struggle resulting from the emergence of a managerial class.

In an interview, Mr. Seidel spoke of the ever-widening gap between the average worker and this privileged and entrenched class, with high salaries and endless lists of extra benefits. This group, he says, was installed by the Labour Alignment which still uses the outdated clichés about "class struggle."

This managerial class controls the various bureaucracies and is now, to a certain extent, beyond democratic control.

Luxury hospital

Mr. Seidel, the only non-Alignment member of the Histadrut Central Committee, is conducting a new fight, this time against what he calls Kupat Holim's latest scheme to open a hospital for the privileged. Using inside information, he related that the top officials of Kupat Holim have decided to buy the unfinished building of the American Israel Medical Centre on the Haifa highway, just outside Tel Aviv and to convert it into a special hospital for privileged patients.

He reports that the patients would be wealthy persons from abroad, Histadrut members ready to pay IL200 a day, as well as cabinet ministers and top managerial executives. He is still waiting for a reply from Mr. Ben-Aharon to his letter protesting the scheme. Meanwhile, despite official Kupat Holim disclaimers, insiders have told him that Kupat Holim now plans to set



Hillel Seidel — no Marxist, but...

up a special subsidiary to sponsor "the special hospital" scheme.

Mr. Seidel is leader of the ILP's Oved Hazioni settlement movement which has 26 moshavim and kibbutzim, of which three are in the territories. Moshe Neot on the Golan Heights, Neve-Aviv on the Harmon and Di-Zahav on the coastal road linking Eilat and Sharm el-Sheikh.

The ILP Histadrut platform calls for greater independence for trade unions, with the Histadrut providing the overall framework and the trade unions free to negotiate members' wages and working conditions. He warns that if the Alignment leadership insists on retaining the present centralized organization then the trade unions might find no other way than to break with the general federation. He scoffed at claims that the Histadrut imposed a unified wage policy, arguing that the stronger unions get more. He is very much in favour of profit sharing schemes, but less interested in involving workers in management. Mr. Seidel claims that when socialists talk against profit-sharing and for workers in management what they really want is more political control over industry.

Ben-Aharon's ire

Mr. Seidel was the target of Yitzhak Ben-Aharon's ire when the latter first took up office at the Histadrut in 1970. Mr. Ben-Aharon moved him from the pensions department to the less important immigrant absorption department. However, today they work fairly harmoniously, and he says of Ben-Aharon: "A very extreme man... but I must say in his favour that he does believe in what he says."

Mr. Seidel agrees that the fiery secretary-general did create an image of independence "but instead of cooperation he has opted for confrontation. It is impossible for organized labour to stand against the government and employers, we have to work together."

Another key question for these elections was whether the Histadrut economic sector had any justification. The ILP differed from the others in favouring a pluralistic economy — public and labour enterprises as well as a private economy.

He questioned whether independent Histadrut enterprises in fact benefited workers. In many cases he thought not. For instance, he said Histadrut supermarkets were often more expensive than the privately-owned ones.

Mr. Seidel also questioned the policy of Shimon Ovidim, the Histadrut Housing company. He said that instead of serving workers it was building homes costing IL200,000.



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Australia's little 'Watergate' affair blows up again

By WILLIAM HARCOURT

SYDNEY (Otago). — PRIME Minister Gough Whitlam was tight-lipped about Australia's "little Watergate" when he arrived back from the Commonwealth Prime Minister's conference in Ottawa last week.

The raids by Commonwealth police, led by the Attorney-General, Senator Lionel Murphy, on the Melbourne headquarters of the Australian Security and Intelligence Organisation earlier this year has again blown up to sensational proportions following new disclosures by two journalists. The raids resulted from Senator Murphy's conviction that there was a conspiracy among Australia's intelligence organisations to withhold information about Croat terrorist activities in Australia and Yugoslavia from the new Labour Government. When in opposition Senator Murphy bitterly attacked ASIO, implying it had a close relationship with extreme right-wing groups.

While Mr. Whitlam was in Ottawa the Director-General of ASIO, Mr. Peter Barbour broke cover for the first time to give evidence before a Senate committee investigating the raids. Under cross-examination, Mr. Barbour refused to reveal if he had complained to the Prime Minister about the raids. After the raids Mr. Whitlam had told Parliament he had received "no complaint at all" from the Director-General of ASIO.

But two journalists, veteran Alan Reid, doyen of the Parliamentary correspondents, and Michael Schildberger, both employed by conservative Press Baron Sir Frank Packer, last week quoted from what they claim to be a top secret internal ASIO message from Mr. Barbour to his agents in the field.

Headed "Complaint," the memorandum to ASIO branches states: "The

Director-General sought and obtained an appointment with the Prime Minister the day following the events at headquarters.

"He saw the Prime Minister personally, gave him full details of the action of the police and told the Prime Minister that he regarded them as unprecedented, extraordinary and gravely damaging to ASIO and the national security interest."

The two journalists have now been called to appear before the Senate committee.

The deputy leader of the Opposition, Mr. Phillip Lynch, has said it appeared that Mr. Whitlam had lied to Parliament on the matter. The Prime Minister could now face a censure motion when Parliament resumes for the budget session this week.

Barrage of questions

There is also talk of the Senate committee (there is a conservative majority in the Senate and on the committee) calling Mr. Whitlam before it to explain his actions. It would be unprecedented for a Prime Minister to appear before a Senate committee. Leave from the House of Representatives, where Labour has a majority, would be required.

Thus, when Mr. Whitlam stepped from his plane, dressed in an open-necked shirt in keeping with his gallant image, he faced a barrage of questions.

Who was lying, he or Mr. Barbour? Or was there a third man, a senior official in ASIO, who had sent out the memorandum under Mr. Barbour's name, without Mr. Barbour's knowledge? What use was an intelligence and security organisation with such bad internal security? It could not prevent its own confidential memorandums being leaked to the Press? Was there an



Prime Minister Whitlam... was there a third man? (Camera Press)

extreme, right-wing anti-Labour group within ASIO out to discredit the Prime Minister? Naturally enough, Mr. Whitlam would make no comment. He had expected to be questioned about his criticisms in Ottawa of Britain's Prime Minister Edward Heath, Singapore's leader Mr. Lee Kuan Yew and the multi-national companies.

Instead, Mr. Whitlam faced another crisis. And on top of the question of his credibility he faces a growing unease throughout Australia about the over-heated economy, with inflation raging at 13.2 per cent per annum. There is also unease, almost fright, among the business community about Labour's increasingly anti-business attitudes. The future of overseas investment in Australia is in doubt. Already the Japanese have withdrawn from one huge iron ore project.

The younger middle-class voters, who gave Labour its majority last year, are worried about Labour's attacks on the building society movement and increasing industrial unrest.

Just when Mr. Whitlam's dominating personality should be concentrated on a successful budget session for Labour, he is being battered by an incident from the past that most Australians thought had been resolved and buried.

Welcome in Ghana



Avraham Cohen, Israel's ambassador to Ghana, presents the Asantethene, Nana Opoku Ware II, with a photograph of the exhibition of Ashanti goldweights at the Israel Museum.

By JOACHIM K. OSEI

KUMASI (Ghana). —

THE longest serving Israeli ambassador to Ghana left his post in this country last month, after serving in Accra for almost seven years.

During his seven year stint, Mr. Avraham Cohen maintained the most cordial relations with three regimes (the National Liberation Council, Busia's civilian regime, and the National Redemption Council). Ghanaians therefore feel that Israel's co-operation is not one with any one group in particular but with the whole people of Ghana.

When Mr. Abba Eban, the Israeli Foreign Minister, visited Accra in 1971, the Ghanaian Foreign Minister commented at a reception: "I see here most of the members of the Cabinet and we can have a cabinet meeting; there are many chiefs here and we can have a Durbar; we have the heads of the churches and we can pray also; and there are many other distinguished guests here. To bring them all together was something that only the Israeli ambassador could achieve."

Members of successive Ghanaian governments as well as the national newspapers and individuals have paid tribute to the work that Israel is doing here. The government-owned "Daily Graphic" wrote editorially on November 18, 1971: "Day in, day out we receive and publish reports about Ghanaians going to Israel to study one thing or the other, to come back to help in their own small way in some sphere of development in this country."

The Ashanti Regional Commissioner said during the opening of

the First Farm Management Course under the Ghana-Israel Co-operation Programme at Kwadaso Agricultural College in Kumasi (January 9, 1973): "By hard work and persistence you (Israel) have acquired a large store of expertise and experience and we are grateful that you are now sharing it with us because farm management expertise is in very short supply in this country."

And the Minister of Agriculture has gone on record as saying: "Of even greater significance to my mind, is Israel's ability to couple her own struggle for peace and survival with a positive aid programme to smaller nations such as Ghana."

The basic sympathy of Ghanaians towards Israel is based on religious and historical sentiments. They understand the right of the people of Israel to the Land of Israel; they admire Israel's achievements in development in general and agriculture in particular, and they appreciate the practical and very beneficial assistance provided by Israel to Ghana since its independence.

Israel's assistance to Ghana has not only been extensive, but has always been geared towards the achievement of self-reliance, the major aim of Ghana's present government.

As is well-known Israel helped Ghana to establish such important institutions as the Black Star National Shipping Line, the State Construction Corporation, and the National College at Accra. At the beginning of the country's independence Israel helped to train her airforce, to establish co-operatives, poultry farms and cattle ranches.

Israel's training programme has also benefited a large cadre of Ghanaians in many fields — agriculture, education, community work, labour studies and co-operatives, youth, activities management, computers, medicine, engineering, trade, export promotion, statistics and finance, police and regional planning.

Development work in Ghana involves young people, women, voluntary organisations and the churches, the chieftancy and traditional institutions. The Israeli envoys have good relations with all these elements.

Israel, for example, is training members of the Catholic Church for such varied activities as community development work, youth fellowship, farm management and poultry breeding.

In addition to sending people to Israel — and a number of Ghanaians have benefited from this scheme — Israel is now expanding the scope of on-the-spot courses in Ghana. At the beginning of this year, Israeli experts trained a group of 15 farm managers and extension officers.

Israel's co-operation with and assistance to the churches in Ghana has been widely acknowledged. As the birthplace of Christianity, Israel has been able to supply the churches with historical material, including books. During the installation ceremony of the Bishop of the newly-created Anglican diocese of Kumasi, Israel and her representatives were mentioned for their close relations with Ghana's churches.

A cultural agreement was signed this year between Israel and Ghana, but this merely formalized the co-operation which has existed for many years in this field.

Ghana has taken part in international book exhibitions and flower shows in Israel and has also participated in Israeli trade fairs. The National Dance Troupe which is under the auspices of the Ghana Arts Council last year visited Israel; the group's first visit abroad. Ghana has also taken part in international conferences in Israel, for example, the International Conference on the History of the Jewish People, which was held in Jerusalem last year. Israel has twice participated in Ghana's international trade fairs, brought Israeli artists to perform to large audiences in Ghana and mounted art exhibitions in Ghana.

Of special interest is the fact that an Israeli scholar, following his research work in Ghana, has published a book on the Ashanti Gold Weights, a famous historical heritage, and the volume is now to be found in all the country's libraries.

The national friendship between Ghana and Israel has resulted in Israel's envoys being welcomed guests at all public and private functions. Moreover, the outgoing Ambassador has enjoyed a particularly warm relationship with Ghana's most esteemed Paramount Ruler, Osei Asantethene (King of Ashanti).

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Looking after meat

Some tips on how to buy meat and how to keep it stored.

By Catherine Rosenheimer
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — THE first food inspector in history is said to be Moses. According to the Bible, an animal carcass must be consumed on the day it is slaughtered and burnt together with any remnants not later than the third day thereafter. said Dr. Amiel Kantor, food hygiene inspector for the Supersol chain. He added that modern meat processing and refrigeration methods have changed the interpretation of this particular piece of advice. Nonetheless, the hot summer months make it imperative for the housewife to take the utmost care in her purchasing and treatment of meat and fish products.

Mid-August, towards the end of one of the hottest summers in years, is perhaps a little late in the day to venture advice on this subject. Nonetheless, many of the guidelines Dr. Kantor has put in a leaflet available to all the chain's customers apply all year round.

Here are some of the points he stresses:

- Make sure that your butcher shop gets supplies from an approved slaughterhouse, delivered in refrigerated trucks.
- Buy frozen meat only in a shop using slow defrosting methods at regulated temperatures. Meat should never be defrosted out in the sun (a common practice in markets) or

quickly in water or just in the fresh air. At home, you should remove meat from the freezer to the refrigerator to defrost leaving it for 12-24 hours, as necessary. Quick defrosting causes the meat to lose its juices and much of its nutritional value as well as spoiling its consistency.

Price and quality

- Price is not a guide to quality: conditions are.
- Buy fish and meat at the end of your shopping round, take home and refrigerate as quickly as possible.
- Don't keep hot cooked food outside the refrigerator for more than half an hour.
- Remember that, under the same conditions, cooked meat spoils quicker than raw.
- Don't cook meat in two stages, to avoid bacteria forming.
- Remember that even in your kitchen there are germs, people and animals which can contaminate the atmosphere and cause poisoning where a sensitive product like meat is concerned. Don't sneeze over meat and always wash your hands. During its journey from the slaughterhouse to the kitchen and the pot, meat is constantly prone to dangerous infection.

ALL this sounds alarming enough to make one become a vegetarian. No, says Dr. Kantor, as long as the basic principles, which many people forget, are adhered to. He went into considerable detail about the techniques of freezing meat — but since most of our meat is frozen in Argentina, the Israeli housewife can certainly never check at this stage.

How to fight meat contamination? With hygiene and sanitation, he says. Germs multiply by millions overnight, given conditions of warmth, dampness and food. Fortunately, the majority are harmless. Meat cannot be chlorinated like water, or pasteurized like milk. But at a refrigerated temperature of five degrees no harmful germs can live or breed in meat.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has concentrated all meat imports at Ashdod, where the meat is immediately transferred to its own warehouse, kept at the same temperature as on board the ship. If anything has happened to contaminate it on the journey, the Ministry's own inspectors are on hand to check the situation.

The main cause of contaminated meat, says Dr. Kantor, sometimes due to wholesalers failing to refrigerate their trucks in the required way, but usually in arbitrary distribution and retailing after supplies leave the wholesalers' hands.

'I found myself exploding in colour, an influence of the landscape'

Making fashions for the working girl

By DIANA LEENER
Special to The Jerusalem Post

WHEN Zaira Melancon left Rio Piedras for Boston to study fashion designing, she never dreamed she would one day be creating styles in Tel Aviv of all places. For the past two and half years, the slim, exotic Puerto Rican, in her late twenties, has been conducting a wholesale dress business from her workshop on Allenby Road, supplying ready-to-wear fashions to some of the elegant boutiques in the city.

Awarded first prize for the most original collection at the Boston School of Fashion and Design, Zaira decided to remain in the U.S. and opened her first workshop with five sewing machines in Cambridge. There she met her husband, an ardent Zionist, who, she said, "talked, slept, breathed Israel." But, the couple moved to San Francisco and then Seattle before immigration to this country. Zaira had boutiques in both places, and even acquired for her versatile interchangeable separates in black and white.

Sounded marvellous

Israel sounded marvellous and she was ready to move, Zaira says, when her husband suggested it. However, after a short stay, he decided Israel was not for him after all, and he returned to the U.S. Although Zaira was bitterly disappointed that the Jewish Agency took back the apartment she had lived in with her husband in Petah Tikva, she decided she would remain here.

Soon she set up a small workshop from which she could produce fashions and found customers around the city. She says she loves being in business, especially in Tel Aviv. "Every day is different and everything is within easy reach. A short walk to Nahlat Binyamin and I can get everything I need, without wasting hours travelling. I meet lots of people and their heart is in the right place. Israelis want to know everything about you," Zaira says, "where you are from, what you are doing. They care."

The language? No problem; in every group there is always someone who knows either English or Spanish.

Ideals of freedom

"I fell in love with the country, its ideals of freedom, the informal way of life — and besides, Israel is a great place for a woman to succeed in business," she says.

Zaira's jeans with Gaza embroidery, long skirts trimmed with applique, evening gowns of curtain material and smart styles for every day can be seen at Wizo's new boutique, Schneidmann's on Dizengoff and other shops.

"I found myself exploding in colour, an influence of the Israeli landscape," she says. She turned away from keyboard cocktail and evening and lounge wear fashions to what she describes as fashions for the working girl at prices she can afford. A long summer dress



Zaira Melancon (Alexander Susskind)

starts at IL80 in her shop and skirts for as little as IL60.

The young women she meets are very fashion conscious and seem to know their own minds, Zaira says. They are ready to be extravagant for something they like. Her American customers were more practical. They deliberated a great deal before making a purchase and preferred something they could mix and match or wear for different occasions.

Marriage-minded men

As for the men, unlike those she met in the U.S., Israeli men are marriage-minded, Zaira thinks. They live at home until they are married and have strong family ties.

Zaira finds many attractions in the Jewish way of life, the family celebrations of holidays and child-oriented society. People are high strung as they are at home, she says, but very friendly and ready to help you.

Zaira puts in a long day at work. Occasionally, she will find time to paint or to make geometric pillow covers from left-over materials. She also designs furniture. Eight now, however, Zaira is busy meeting orders for denim dresses and peasant blouses trimmed with Arab embroidery for an American importer. Three of her models were on display at a show of international folkloric styles in New York last month. Last February she participated for the first time in the Israel Fashion Week and she hopes to take part again this coming winter.

SPRAYS ARE DECLARED HAZARD

By JOHN STOWELL

WASHINGTON (AP). — THE U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has declared three aerosol spray adhesives an "imminent hazard" to public health because of their possible link to genetic damage and has banned retail sales of the product.

"We have sufficient evidence officially to declare that Foil Art spray adhesive, Scotch Brand Spray Adhesive and Krylon spray adhesive as hazardous products," said Commission chairman Richard O. Simpson.

He praised the 3-M and Borden Co., manufacturers of the three sprays, for halting production and distribution but said the further action under the Hazardous Substances Act was considered necessary to stop sales.

"We have instructed CPSC field investigators to begin an immediate spot check of retail establishments to assure that these spray adhesives are off the shelves," Simpson said. Retailers who continue selling the products can be punished by up to one year imprisonment and a 3,000-dollar fine, he added.

The Commission said at least four other manufacturers of aerosol spray adhesives have agreed voluntarily to halt production and distribution. They were not immediately identified.

The Commission has urged consumers not to use spray adhesives and retailers not to sell any spray adhesives, used primarily by art and photo hobbyists.

The Commission's decision is based on research by a University of Oklahoma scientist, Dr. Rodman Seely, "strongly suggesting a causal relationship" between exposure to spray adhesives and chromosome damage leading to random, mul-

Meeting Egyptian 'sisters'

NEW YORK (UPI). —

NOT long ago, as a conference ended, an exciting thing occurred. Mary Camper-Tinsling, a feminist from New York, recalled: "The most moving moment of this stimulating conference came on the last day when the representative from Israel said she had, most of all, enjoyed the opportunity of meeting with her sisters from Egypt."

The meeting was the International Feminist Planning Conference attended by women from 29 countries. The women met to plan the first world feminist meeting, scheduled for sometime in 1974 in Europe, possibly Sweden.

Sheila Prag from Herzliya, made the remark about enjoying meeting with her "sisters" from Egypt. The women from Egypt, led by Ingi Eusaby of Cairo, joined in the tumultuous applause.

"Quite a few moist eyes also resulted from this comment that so perfectly expressed the spirit of international goodwill that characterized the planning conference," Camper-Tinsling said.

The aim of the planning conference by feminists from all over the world was to establish the machinery towards building an international feminist movement. Betty Friedman, mother of the women's movement in the United States, was there and said: "The purpose is to achieve social, political and economic equality for all women everywhere."

"The feminist movement is the first step towards human liberation — a liberation of the energies of both men and women for the expression of love, the force of life. It is a necessary first step against the forces of hate and death running rampant in the world of today."

THE GRANNY PANTHERS

By NANCY WARD

LONDON (FWF). — SHE may be an old model, but by golly, she is still revving on all cylinders and chugging along with vigour. She is fighting for justice and understanding for all the others who are old and until now have had no voice to shout about the injustices they have to suffer.

Sixty-eight-year-old spinster Margaret Kuhn is America's oldest, and possibly most formidable, "revolutionary." She is the leader of the Grey Panthers, the newly formed militant movement for the elderly. She has recently issued a warning about the fiery methods she and her grizzled Panthers intend using in order to get a better deal for old people.

"We'll do it with militancy, demonstrations and sit-downs — anything to get a place at the table. Old people have become taboo, obscure, in a society mesmerized by youth," Margaret has declared passionately. "The problem is, the public gets so confused with old cars. They think we last too long and we are old, we are obsolete."

"Society only likes new models today. Oldies of any sort are felt undesirable and mercilessly sent to the scrap heap. Today's world is full of human scrap piles — rejected and forgotten old people. It is quite forgotten that the old models worked well and were dependable. Few care to admit that many could still go pretty well — if encouraged and not chucked out of society like so much rubbish because of an arbitrary age limit."

If Miss Kuhn's plans bear fruit we shall have to get accustomed to the idea of granny protesting by sitting down in front of a bus and grandpa, in the heat of a "demo," knocking a policeman's helmet off with an angry swipe of his walking stick.

"I am an activist," declares Miss Kuhn, and see no reason to stop fighting hard against injustice just because I am retired. The Grey Panthers are really going to fight. We are going to make a big fuss and muscle in on society."

Miss Kuhn would approve of a Private Member's Bill in Britain, given its first reading last May, which seeks to make illegal refusal of a job on the sole ground that the applicant is 45 or older.

"Grannies come back" was the plea made recently by Mr. Bernard Marks chairman of one of the biggest secretarial and office work agencies in Britain. "We are screaming out for older women to go back to office work," he said. "Not only mums and grannies — but great grannies too. Older women have a more mature and responsible attitude towards their job than many flighty youngsters."

If John Thorneycroft from Kent had retired and stayed retired, he feels he would have died long ago — from sheer boredom. "So many people retire, feel cut off from the world, then gently fade away," John says. "I felt I just had to work again. So, after years of work as a butler, then years of boring retirement, I found myself a new job — when I was 59-years-old. That was

five years ago. I am 104 now, and still enjoy my job, out on the rounds on my cousin's coal lorry. I guess I am the oldest coalman in the world."

Vintage "newsboy" John Edmunds from Wiltshire in England sets out on his paper round at 6.30 a.m. sharp every morning — even if it is snowing a blizzard. He is 86 and his customers would be a bit about him being out in all weathers. But John doesn't worry at all. His papers are never late. He is still busy, he feels part of life.

I remember talking once to a varden of a hostel for old people. She pointed to the silver on the sideboard. "It's a wonder that silver hasn't been rubbed away," she told me. "Whenever I see an old lady sitting looking miserable with her hands in her lap, I get her to polish this silver for me. It's a sure-fire cure for the blues."

There is nothing more debilitating and depressing than feeling you have outlived your usefulness."

Every old person who has experienced this sort of misery and frustration will understand just what Miss Kuhn and her Grey Panthers are fighting for.

In countries where grandparents still have an honoured place at the hearth, and where advice is sought from them and their wealth of experience respected, such a movement will not be necessary.

Unfortunately, in many places of the world today, the grey, forgotten army of the elderly desperately need vigorous warriors like the redoubtable Miss Kuhn to fight their battles for them — so that it can be remembered that they too deserve dignity and a place in the sun.



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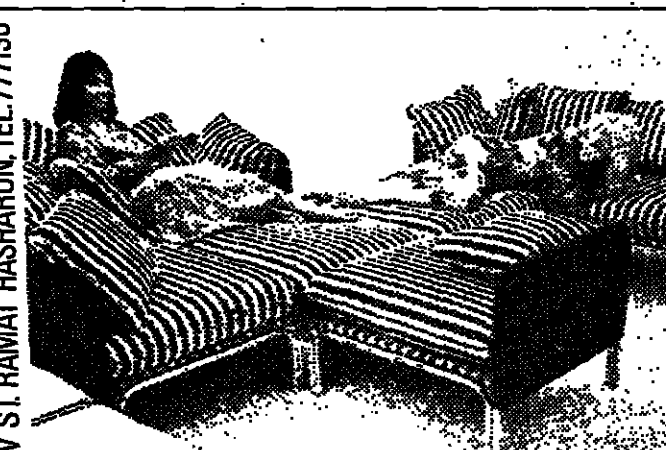
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Zim receives second 'roll-on, roll-off' boat

By YAACOV ARDON

Another "roll-on, roll-off" boat joined Zim's fleet last Thursday, when the m.v. Narcsa, 200 tons deadweight, arrived from shipyard in Galatz, Rumania. The Narcsa is the second boat of its type in Zim's tonnage. "Roll-on, roll-off" vessels are so named because they are built to load cargo stored on trailers, which are driven aboard at the port of sailing and off again at the port of discharge. From there the trailer is driven straight to the door of the consignee, doing away with all port handling. The 19-knot Narcsa holds 40 trailers, 90 containers and 250 automobiles, or 74 trailers and 151 automobiles. Her holds are fitted with loading equipment for the transport of fresh farm produce. She also has

facilities for the repair of trailers and containers. Her engine room is automated. She is stabilized to keep her cargo steady in rough weather, and has an extra propeller to increase her manoeuvrability in ports and to dispense with the need for tugboats. Zim took delivery of her first "roll-on, roll-off" boat, the m.v. Iris, about a month ago. The two vessels will ply the Ashdod-Haifa-Tripoli route at the rate of one sailing a week.

Loading and unloading under normal conditions take no longer than one working day each, because cargo of all types can be handled from two decks simultaneously with the aid of two ramps at wharf level and through cranes from the upper deck in the conventional manner. The Narcsa has a crew of 24, all Israelis, under Captain Z. Shimoni.

Taiwan 2nd in electronics exports to U.S.

WASHINGTON. — Nationalist China has become the second largest supplier of communication and electronic products to the U.S., according to statistics issued by the Department of Commerce. The amount exported by Taiwan to the U.S. jumped from \$23m. worth in 1967 to \$314m. in 1972, representing an annual growth of 67 per cent annually in the five year period. Japan remains the largest supplier of electronic products to the U.S., with its 1972 figure totalling \$1,500m.

The greatest increase of Taiwan's export of electronic products occurred in consumer items such as television and radio sets. Taiwan is now the biggest supplier of TV sets to the U.S. In 1972 it sold \$957m. worth of these items to the U.S. Nationalist China itself imported nearly \$95m. worth of electronic products from the U.S. in 1972. (China News)

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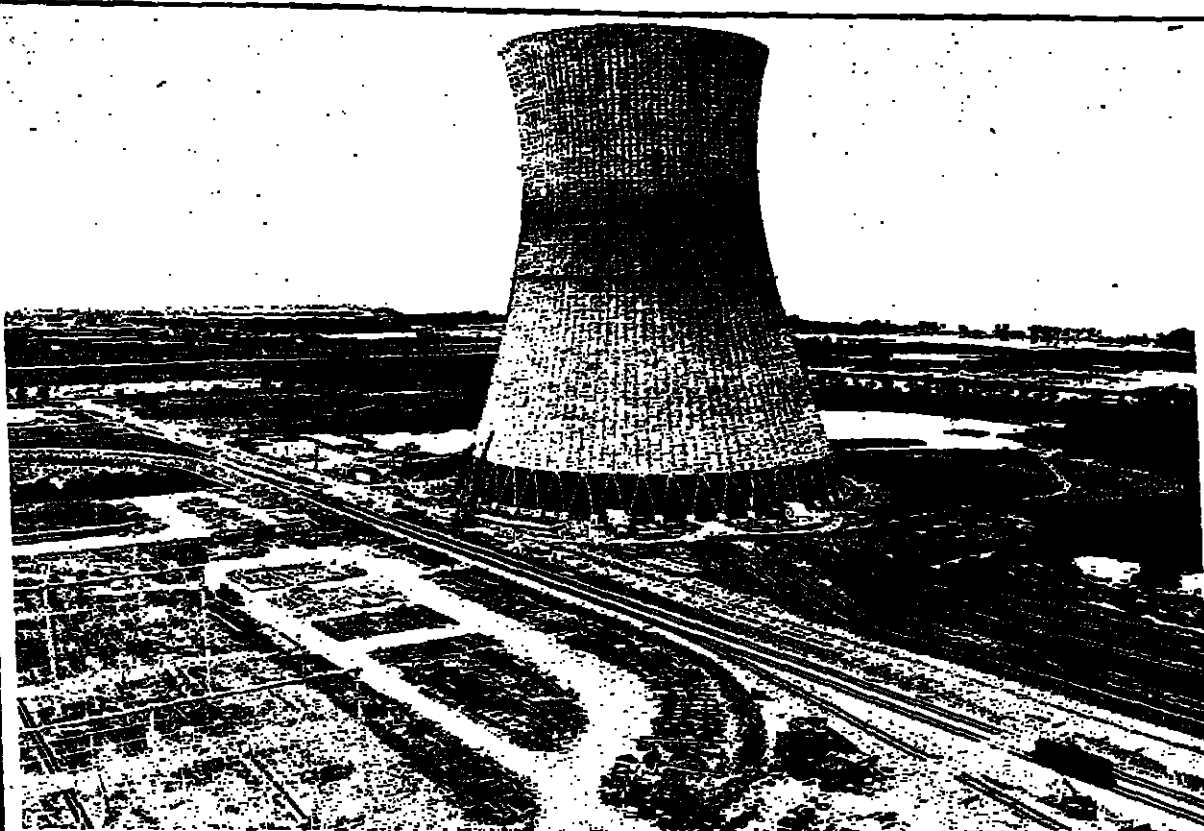
GREENVILLE, North Carolina (AP). — A North Carolina firm announced yesterday a sale of tobacco valued at around \$900,000 to Communist China. The Carolina Leaf Tobacco Co. said the 800,000 lbs. of Virginia tobacco leaf will be shipped from an undisclosed North Carolina port to Shanghai in mid-September.

Trade figures bring \$ fall

LONDON (AP). — The dollar closed marginally lower on most European foreign exchange markets on Friday, after a minor setback to its month-long recovery. The fall followed an announcement by West Germany of a record monthly trade surplus of \$1,200m. in July. The U.S. also announced its second monthly trade surplus for the year — \$106.1m. for July compared to a \$15.5m. deficit in June.

The trade figures brought a mixed reaction among foreign exchange dealers. One Swiss dealer said they pointed toward a weaker dollar, with Germany continuing to have large monthly trade surpluses but with the outlook for the U.S. far more uncertain. A British dealer said he thought it would take some time for confidence in the dollar to be restored, but that the latest trade surplus "can't do any harm."

The dollar declined against the German mark, the French franc, the Dutch guilder and the Swiss franc, but kept more or less in line with the pound sterling. In Frankfurt the dollar closed at DM2.4605, down from DM2.4790 Thursday. In Paris, it ended the day at 4.3575, from 4.3570. The dollar was worth 3.0437 Swiss francs at the end of trading in Zurich. Thursday's closing figure was 3.0655. In London, the dollar ended at 2.4585, up from Thursday's close of 2.4573.



This 500-foot-tall cooling tower in Port Clinton, Ohio, will hold five million gallons of water. The tower serves somewhat the same function as the radiator that absorbs heat from a car's engine. In this case, the water cools a condenser

which changes exhausted steam back into water. In doing so, it absorbs the heat. It is part of the \$355m. Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station which has passed the halfway mark of construction and could be producing electricity by May 1975. (UPI)

Egypt launches new 'open door' economic policy to boost exports

CAIRO (AP). — Egypt is embarking on a new "open door" economic policy designed to attract new trading partners, ease import of essential items, and boost exports. A key to the new policy, outlined in Friday's press and effective on September 1, is a 50 per cent incentive above the official exchange rate for the purchase of convertible currencies and a premium of 55 per cent for their sale. Economists say this means those permitted to use the new rate will pay about \$1.70 for an Egyptian pound, which is presently officially valued at \$2.56 and currently sold to tourists for about \$1.60. The new rate will be available through commercial banks authorized by the national bank on a parallel market open to approved importers bringing in production supplies and equipment and luxury

goods needed for Egypt's increasing tourist industry, as well as to Egyptians sending money home from abroad. The new rate would mean Egyptian exporters of shoes, furniture, wine, handicrafts and other items would initially receive less for their goods abroad at the lower, more realistic rate, but would eventually receive more hard currency as the volume of trade increases, observers say. The official rate of the pound, at \$2.56, compares with a European market rate of about \$1.34. Thus the new rate is closer to the changing economic realities, observers say. Abdul Aziz Higazy, deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Economy and Foreign Trade, has told newsmen this does not mean the Egyptian pound is being allowed to float, but economists consider it a step in that direction, aimed at strengthening the Egyptian pound abroad. Export commodities specifically exempted from the new rate are listed as raw and waste cotton, cotton yarn and cotton fabrics, petroleum and petroleum products, onions, garlic, potatoes, cement and foreign goods which are re-exported. Higazy may authorize any imports under the new rate to speed production supplies and eliminate bottlenecks. Import permits would

not be required for public sector imports, the press said. The objective of the parallel market "is to increase the inflow of foreign capital through enforcement of a realistic price commensurate with the real purchasing power of the Egyptian pound," observed "Al-Ahram." By giving Egypt's exports a more realistic price tag, Egypt hopes to attract non-East bloc countries as trading partners. Higazy recently observed that at present 70 per cent of Egypt's exports go to countries with which it has bilateral agreements, mostly from the East bloc, although only 50 per cent of its imports come from those countries. "This creates a state of imbalance in the Egyptian balance of trade," he observed. "All we need to do is some daring in taking decisions and facing problems according to a sound economic basis." He said, adding, "this is probably the feature of the new economic policy."

Earlier this month, as the new exchange rates were being discussed, the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development granted Egypt a badly needed loan of \$47m., Higazy observed.

Business with Rhodesia despite U.N. sanctions, Carnegie report says

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — American firms are doing "business as usual" with Rhodesia in possible violation of U.N. sanctions and of U.S. Law, a Carnegie Endowment report said yesterday.

The 28-page report said airlines, car rental firms, credit card companies, travel firms and others, may have broken the law in their business dealings with Rhodesia. Among those named are Pan American Airways, Trans World Airlines and the car firms of Hertz and Avis.

Rhodesia, which unilaterally declared its independence from Britain and the Commonwealth in 1965, is subject to mandatory sanctions imposed by the U.N. Security Council five years ago.

The sanctions are backed in the U.S. by presidential executive orders which provide for fines of up to \$10,000 and up to 10 years in prison for violators.

The report is the first of a series by the special Rhodesia project of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Understanding.

State Department officials confirmed that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) had been asked to investigate possible violation of U.S. laws and that other agencies concerned had been informed of the report's charges.

The report said that both Pan American and TWA issued tickets for connecting flights into and from Rhodesia on South African Airways, Air Rhodesia or Air Malawi, transferring payment to the connecting airlines in apparent violation of government sanction regulations. It said Pan American transferred about \$200,000 to Air Rhodesia in 1972, an increase of almost 200 per cent over the previous year.

The FAA, which is responsible for enforcing sanction regulations on airlines, apparently relied on knowledge of the regulations by airline officials and their willingness to comply with them, the report added. It said Pan American, TWA and other airlines were apparently unaware of the regulations or were consciously acting in violation of them. The report said both Hertz and Avis could be violating regulations banning the sale or supply of any commodities to any person or body in Rhodesia. Both companies had arrangements whereby "independent subsidiaries" operating under their names did business in Rhodesia. "If one considers their names to be commodities then Avis and Hertz are clearly supplying commodities to Southern Rhodesian companies," the report said.

It added that several American companies and one Rhodesian concern ran tours to Africa including Rhodesia. Large numbers of American tourists were reported to be visiting Southern Rhodesia every year and the American Government makes little or no attempt to discourage this travel.

The report noted that tourists could use a number of credit cards for the payment of their bills and urged the Treasury Department to investigate whether the transfer of such funds to Rhodesia might be illegal.

Church group urges boycott

GENEVA (UPI). — The World Council of Churches issued a list of business corporations directly involved in investment and trade with Southern Africa and asked member churches to sell its holdings in these companies.

A WCC statement said the list named companies in Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, New Zealand, Sweden and West Germany. It followed an earlier "black list" published last year of about 650 corporations.

A WCC spokesman said the Council had instructed its Finance Committee to sell all its existing holdings and make no further investments in the companies mentioned on the list. He said the WCC had also urged all member churches, Christian agencies and individual Christians outside Southern Africa "to use all their influence, including stockholder action and disinvestment, to press corporations which the poorest people are the to withdraw investments and cease active agents and immediate beneficiaries, who have little or no access to such credits on reasonable terms from existing sources, and who are ready and capable of utilizing such credits in productive investments," the spokesman said. West Germany.

Protest on Soviet increase of rents for Western offices

MOSCOW (UPI). — The U.S. and Britain have officially protested to the Soviet Government that it is discriminating against Western business firms by raising their rents drastically, diplomatic sources said yesterday. They said France and West Germany are planning to make similar protests this week, and envoys of other Western nations and Japan are expected to follow suit.

The Soviets imposed rent increases up to 200 per cent on Western firms effective August 1. A Soviet spokesman said the purpose was "to bring the rates into conformity with European prices." But many

businessmen complained Soviet rents were out of line with Western rates even before the increase.

Diplomatic sources said Sir John Killick, the British Ambassador, and Adolph Dubs, the U.S. chargé, delivered protests to the Soviet Foreign Ministry on Friday.

They said the two envoys complained to the Russians that the rent increases were discriminatory because they apply only to Western firms that are required to operate out of hotels and not to East European firms that have office space outside hotels. Foreign Ministry officials promised to look into the matter, but denied that there was

discrimination, the sources said. The Soviets have recently been expanding business cooperation with the West and accrediting a growing number of firms to have offices here. But at least two firms — Air Canada and Siemens of West Germany — are considering closing their Moscow operations unless the rent increases are rescinded, diplomatic sources said.

Among others hit by the rent increases are Japan Air Lines, Pullman Inc. of Chicago, American Express, Occidental Petroleum Co. of California, the Chase Manhattan Bank, Lufthansa and Pan American World Airways.

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Director-General Ministry of Communications

Labour exchange for pensioners

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Ministry, the Histadrut and the Jewish Agency have set up a joint body to help elderly pensioners interested in earning an additional income to find suitable work, Labour Minister Yo-

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THE RED TAPE MENACE

THE problem of immigration from the Soviet Union has been close to Premier Golda Meir's heart since she first went to Moscow as Israel's ambassador and saw for herself that the Soviet Jews had by no means forgotten their people and Israel. She calls their belated, unexpected arrival "the second miracle" after the establishment of the State itself, and asks with asperity whether we need really mar this miracle with the tangle of red tape that is making the lives of immigrants more difficult than it is bound in any case to be.

She is right on both counts. The Soviet immigrants have the rights in Israel of all Jews and these rights are surely doubled and trebled by the thorny path every one of them must tread before he can expect to get his visa. The extraordinary, almost incomprehensible display of hostility — fear, almost, one is inclined to say — of the Soviet authorities to the Jewish athletes during the University games last week illustrates the test of courage and determination through which the prospective immigrants must pass before they can expect to get away.

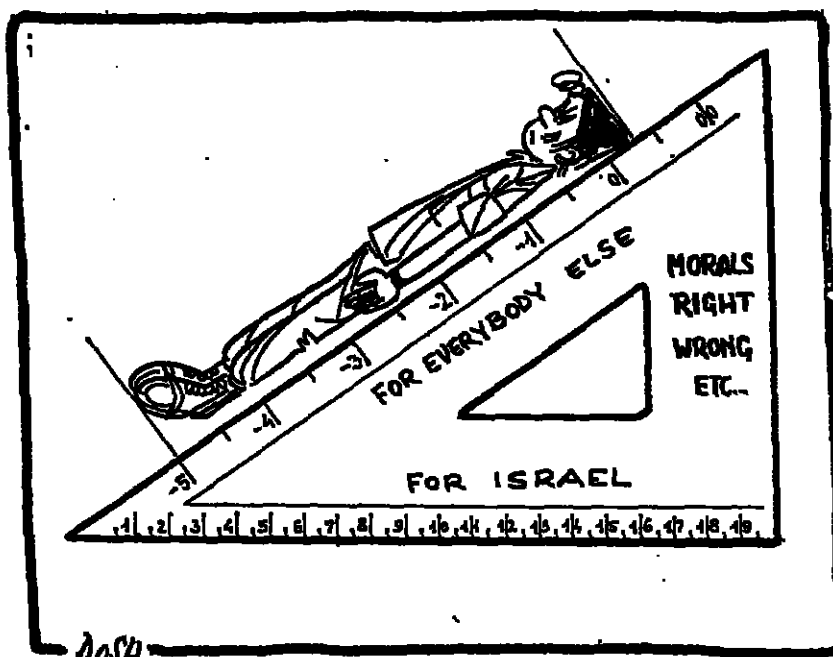
Even with a special Immigration Department available to help the newcomers, processing is still by no means smooth. Mrs. Meir believes jobs could be found for all the immigrants with qualifications, but that people have become inhospitable. In this area, retraining of im-

migrants for approximately similar jobs for which there is demand is the most important single contribution. It is obvious that we can find work for fewer instructors in the Russian language, and more skilled hotel managers than in Russia, and the necessary bridge between the two professions is the welcoming attitude of the public, but first of all that of the personnel of the Immigration Ministry.

The fact is that most of the early contacts of the immigrant are with the personnel of the ministries, and that a perhaps undue share of the burden falls on them. And still they will have to bear it.

But it is not enough to apply a more flexible approach to immigrants from Russia; all Israel needs it. Recently this office found itself involved in correspondence with an immigrant couple who had been advised by a *shakh* in their country of origin to leave a handicapped relative behind until they had found suitable housing. They did so, at considerable expense. It was only when they had settled in and wished to bring the old lady here that they discovered that immigrants can bring in relatives only after two years, something the *shakh* had apparently not known, and which could not be easily settled once the original mistake had been made. Red tape has become a menace, but it would be an error to believe it applies only to immigrants from Russia.

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Kissinger's appointment

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes on Dr. Kissinger's appointment, commenting that to have one man in charge of both shaping and implementing foreign policy should enhance the status of the State Department and streamline operations in general.

Al Hanihmar (Mapam) writes that though Kissinger's solutions have been far from perfect, they broke the ice and reduced tension at international danger points. It Rogers' views in favour of a negotiated, however that the cease-fire

between Israel and the Arab states was achieved largely through the efforts of Mr. Rogers, who consistently favoured a peace settlement negotiated by the parties concerned.

Davar (Histadrut) welcomes Mr. Waldheim's forthcoming "study tour" in the Middle East, but doubts his chances of promoting a peace settlement. He would do well, it writes, to take account of former Secretary of State William Rogers' views in favour of a negotiated peace settlement.

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Sadat may end the treaty with Russia



Before the rift — Egyptian President Sadat greets Soviet President Nikolai Podgorniy.

'Moscow fed up with tantrums'

By DEV MURAKA
MOSCOW (Olas). — GROWING concern is being felt in Moscow that President Anwar Sadat may end the 15-year Soviet-Egyptian friendship treaty, signed only two years ago in Cairo.

President Sadat's special adviser, Mr. Hafez Ismail, who had talks with Mr. Brezhnev in Moscow last month, is believed to have been warned by the Soviet leader of the serious consequences which might follow such a step, which would be considered here as an unprovoked act of hostility. The Russians, however, think that the Egyptian President may have simply postponed the matter rather than abandon his intentions completely.

Such a break would undoubtedly be a serious blow to Soviet prestige in the Middle East, though by now Moscow is so fed up with Sadat's tantrums that it will also feel relief at the prospect. The deterioration in Egyptian-Soviet relations has been moving at an accelerated pace during the last few months. Much of it has to do with pride and prejudice at the top rather than any substantive political issues. But the extent of this deterioration can be measured by a remark alleged to have been made by Mr. Ruzhnikov, chairman of the Egyptian Vice-President, accusing Moscow of collusion with the United States in bringing about the Arab defeat by Israel in 1967. There has been angry surprise at this kind of imputation here.

Relations between the two countries have not been normal since the Egyptians threw out Soviet military personnel in the summer of 1972. On the surface, Moscow has maintained that relations continue as before and Soviet support for Egypt has remained unchanged in international forums. But President Sadat is annoyed that, despite repeated invitations, the Soviet Communist leader has refused to visit Cairo. Sadat himself has also declined to come to Moscow. Moreover, he declined to receive President Nikolai Podgorniy in Cairo when the Soviet Government wanted to send him there to discuss the Middle East situation before Mr. Brezhnev's visit to Washington in June.

The Egyptians are even more angry at rumours about Mr. Brezhnev's impending visit to India, though nothing is certain yet. This is being taken by Cairo

as a calculated snub. Matters have not been improved by the release in Cairo of a joint paper by the Egyptian National Assembly and the Arab Socialist Union Central Committee charging the Soviet Union with making major concessions to the United States at the expense of the Arabs.

Thus, President Sadat may go ahead and abrogate the treaty out of pique and bravado, with incalculable consequences to Egypt and the Soviet position in the region. The Russians feel that Sadat may think the matter over in the light of his experience after the departure of Soviet military personnel, when he had to ask them back in discreet numbers. But there is little doubt that if the treaty is abrogated, Soviet reaction will be tougher than the last time.

The most vulnerable point for the Egyptians will be if Moscow cuts off the supply of spare parts, which would have a crippling effect on the Egyptian war machine. On the other hand, it is recognised here that the Egyptian leader is desperate to continue giving the impression of great activity, and turning on the Russians may be the easiest possible alternative for him at the moment. The prospects for any dramatic improvement in relations between Cairo and Moscow are not very bright under the circumstances.

Readers' letters

Anti-Semitism in disguise

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Not since I listened to the official anti-Semitic tirades of Dr. Goebbels during the pre-war Hitlerite era have I heard such animosity as on the part of those who raised the hue and cry against Israel's crime in having dared to detain an enemy-owned plane in order to search for the murderers of women, children, sportsmen, diplomats and air crews.

This Witches' Dance, backed by hidden anti-Semitic tendencies, found its happy end with the much-sought condemnation of Israel, but as far as official and hidden anti-Semitism are concerned, it was again a condemnation of Jews as a nation. Our hidden adversaries come at us with accusations of breaking international laws; it seems to me that these laws are based on those of the jungle: kill or be killed as far as everybody else except the Jews (who are conveniently identified as Israelis) are concerned. Our planes may be hijacked to Algiers for two months — we dare not detain a plane for two hours without U.N. condemnation. Our sportsmen are massacred one day — the games continued the next morning and the murderers are released soon after. American diplomats are butchered, bugles blow farewells in Arlington Cemetery — we exterminate the rat leaders in their beds and we Jews constitute a danger to world peace.

Please let us face up to this simple truth: The Arabs hate us as Israelites, the others do so because anti-Semitism is there and awaits every favourable opportunity to erupt into the kind of Witches' Dance like last week at the U.N.
ARTHUR M. LIPSCHITZ
Kiryat Ata, August 19.

Sir, — I must apologize, together with all right-thinking Britons, for the diatribe uttered on TV in the United Kingdom by a former henchman of the worst foreign secretary of the century concerning the downing of the Israel plane.

Why should criticism be one-sided? Why don't you, the Israelis, comment not only on Russia, the stalwart of non-interference (who annexes half Europe), but on Britain. After all, the Anglo-Saxons did drive out the original settlers to Wales and forbid them their language; Britain's finger was in the Irish pie and, if I remember rightly, she still holds a piece of Mediterranean Europe and a town in China derived by conquest.

But perhaps we in England hold the "divine right" to see the faults of others — although we are in the company of France and other great powers.
JACK GLINERT
London, August 13.

Observant artists and the Festival

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — As a member of performing groups participating in the Israel Festivals of 1970, 1971 and 1972, I strongly applaud Dr. Samuel Trachtman's position regarding the presentation of artistic programmes between the 17th of Tammuz and the 9th of Av (Readers' Letters, August 10).

Since I first participated in the Israel Festival, I have been most appreciative of the consideration and attention shown me by its representatives. Accommodations are uniformly quite comfortable, a remarkable state of affairs in light of the perennial operating loss the Festival faces. Provisions are always made, frequently at considerable inconvenience and expense, for observance of Sabbath and Kashrut by religious participants. I thank the Ministry of Tourism and, in particular, the Israel Festival for going out of their way to make me feel at home, not as a house guest, but as a participating member of the Israeli music family.

This privileged status bears with it the duty of responsible criticism, and I feel compelled to raise one issue, in the hopes that my words will be understood as those of a friend and colleague. In the matter of ritual observance during the

three weeks, the situation is unfortunately less pleasant than might be hoped for. On numerous occasions over the years, both as a representative of participating organizations and as an individual performer, I have made eminently sensible suggestions for the observance of the festival during the period from the 17th of Tammuz to the 9th of Av. My efforts have been received rather coolly, the most favourable reaction being the cancellation of a programme scheduled during the period in question. Considering the ease with which the obvious and sensible solution could be implemented, I deem such a facile response in this instance inappropriate.

I join Dr. Trachtman, and all members of the public and performers of like mind, in looking forward to the day when the traditional five-week summer festival will be scheduled during the month of Tammuz so as not to interfere with the prescribed observance of the three weeks. If other conflicts between religious and non-religious interests were readily resolved as this, the divine cry of "coexistence" on both sides would be far less insistent.

STEVEN LORBER
Jerusalem (New York, Boston), August 20.

SERIOUS OFFENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I would like to bring to your attention something very serious that appeared in the August 18 edition. On page 2, alongside the article, "First pages of H.U. Bible issued," appeared a sample picture of the Bible in which the Holy name of G-d appeared in Hebrew. As you know, it is a most serious offence for the name of G-d to be erased or thrown in the garbage or any similar place of defilement. Since the end of the newspaper is usually the garbage or worse, printing the name of G-d in a newspaper will cause its certain defilement. It is therefore forbidden to write the Holy name in a newspaper. This is clearly stated in the Shulchan Aruch.

Not only was this article not enough, but on the same page appeared a picture of a tapestry with the name of G-d in the middle. I hope that now that you have been alerted to the seriousness of this matter, the paper will be more careful in the future. Thank you.

ELIZAHU LITOFF
Petah Tikva, Av. 19.

ISRAEL MUSEUM OF TECHNOLOGY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I refer to your report of August 2 on the future of the old Technion compound in Haifa. I am sorry to hear that I have to correct its contents.

Neither the compound nor any part of it have been offered to us as an alternative home for the Israel Museum of Technology. Moreover, we consider this hampered site not suitable for a dynamic project of this type.

The late regretted Moshe Haim, Moshe Haim, earmarked an area of some 30 dunams for the Israel Museum of Technology on Mount Carmel between the new Technion campus and that of the Haifa University.

We are certain that a more suitable use will be found for the striking old Technion building.
M. J. GERSHON
Honorary Treasurer
Israel Museum of Technology
Haifa, August 13.

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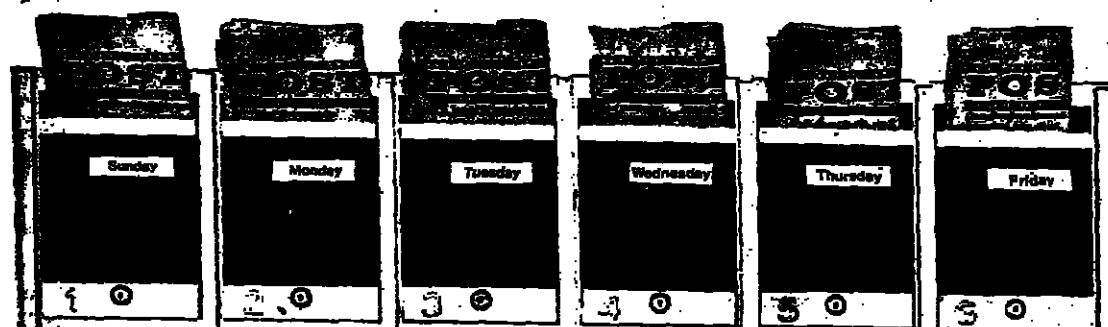
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